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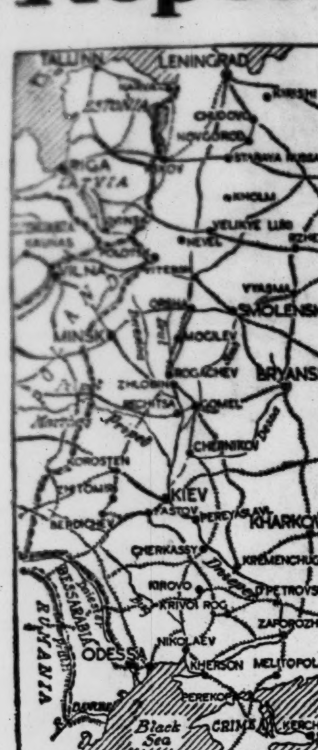
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Russian Advance Guards Reported 18 Miles From Poland



GENERAL VATUTIN'S Guards units North-west of Koresten are now within 18 miles of the old Polish border, Reuter's Special Correspondent cables from Moscow. Other units are within striking distance of the railway junction of Novgorod-Volinsk, which is only 15 miles from the border.

The peril to German units in and around Byela Tserkov, 70 miles south-west of Kiev, has sharply increased with new Soviet gains to the south, this correspondent states. These gains have widened the great wedge driven between Byela Tserkov and Berdichev to over 50 miles.

Berdichev is now held in a narrow arc from which it will be difficult for the Germans to extract their garrison without heavy losses.

The general direction of the advance on this flank is beginning to menace the important rail junction of Zhmerinka, on the main Odessa-Cracow line. The Russians have reached points between 40 and 45 miles north-east of this junction which controls one of the main arteries of the southern front.

Berlin officials stated yesterday, according to the Scandinavian Telegram Bureau: "During the past 24 hours the battles in the Zhitomir area have increased in violence rather than slackened off, and, after evacuating Zhitomir, the Germans are continuing slowly and according to plan to retreat towards the west and south-west.

"South of Fastov the Russians have made new and deep breaches in the German lines, but a total break-through has not yet taken place."

The Russian offensive beyond Zhitomir is being made with 700,000 men, said the Berlin correspondent of Stockholm's *Tidningen*.

A Berlin spokesman, quoted by *Svenska Dagbladet*, said:—"The world has never before seen battles so great in manpower, in material, and in duration. But the German withdrawals have prevented a decisive break-through."

NEW THRUST

A big Russian advance on the southern sector of the Kiev salient was reported yesterday by Paris Radio, which said that General Vatutin's forces are thrusting beyond the railway running south from Berdichev. This new thrust suggests that the Russians may have cut the Berdichev-Vinnitsa line.

German Radio last night reported that "south of Lake Ladoga, the Russians, after heavy artillery preparation, attacked in several waves a German salient which cut a road vital to the enemy. Some of the enemy succeeded in penetrating our trenches, but were later accounted for by local reserves."

Jean Paquis, Paris Radio Military Commentator, said last night that General Vatutin, who has at his disposal a motorised army of some 40 divisions, is clearly marching towards the River Bug.—(Reuter.)

A new Russian attack, launched on both sides of the Dnepropetrovsk-Apostolovo railway line, south-west of Dnepropetrovsk, was also reported from Berlin. "The attack was made on a broad front, with five rifle divisions and 20 tanks," the German News Agency said. "The Russians at some points made local breaches, which were sealed off, and bitter fighting is still going on as the result of German counter-attacks."

AT VITEBSK

Reuter's Special Correspondent in Stockholm states that the Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau stated yesterday: "The German garrison at Vitebsk is in a very difficult position. The Russians have gained partial control of the Vitebsk-Orsha railway and the highway running from Vitebsk south-west of the Dvina."

The Soviet communiqué stated:—"Troops of the first Ukrainian front continuing to develop the offensive captured two district centres of the Zhitomir region and 150 other inhabited localities. North and north-west of Nevel our troops fought offensive engagements and occupied over 40 inhabited localities."

ANOTHER LANDING IN PACIFIC

ELEMENTS of the 6th American Army yesterday landed on Saidor, on the north coast of New Guinea, and quickly captured the harbour and airport, says a report from General MacArthur's Headquarters.

Saidor is a Government station on the north coast of the Huon Peninsula, approximately 115 air miles from Finschafen and roughly 100 miles from Blucher Point. With the Australians advancing along the coast above Blucher Point, the occupation of Saidor cuts off the Japanese between Madang and Blucher Point.

Two hundred tons of bombs were dropped on Saidor before the landing of the Americans, which was unopposed.

Madang, the New Guinea base, has had a new raid, in which 253 tons of bombs were dropped. Heavy bombers based on the Solomons started fires when they heavily bombed the Japanese base of Rabaul, and 12 Japanese fighters were shot down and nine more probably destroyed.

A 6,500-foot airfield for light and medium bombers within less than 250 miles of Rabaul, and only 850 miles from Truk, Japan's naval base, is in operation in the Northern Solomons. The airfield, carved out of the heaviest of jungles at the base of volcanic Mount Bagana, was dedicated on Christmas Day.—(A.P. and Reuter.)

Eisenhower's Farewell to His Troops

GENERAL EISENHOWER, in a farewell message yesterday, quoted by Reuter, wished the Allied forces in the Mediterranean theatre good luck

Activity in Italy Held Up by Storm

SNOWSTORMS and torrential rain curtailed activity in Italy over the week-end, according to yesterday's official communiqué from Allied Headquarters. With the exception of some coastal patrols air operations had to be cancelled



The communiqué stated:—"Canadian troops of the Eighth Army beat off a counter-attack in the Adriatic coastal sector and captured the village of San Tommaso. British troops of the Fifth Army staged a successful raid into enemy positions. American troops in the mountains consolidated positions previously gained."

The bitterest fighting, according to Reuter's special correspondent, is taking place at the strategic cross-roads between Villa Grande and Tollo, as the Eighth Army battles its way towards the Arielli river, the next water-crossing on the road to Pescara. The cross-roads are only 440 yards south of the river, which is being stubbornly barred, both on the coast and inland between the two towns.

The Germans are using every known blocking device—minefields, booby traps and barbed wire entanglements—to prevent the Canadians pushing on towards the river from San Tommaso, a village on a commanding height two miles inland, whose capture was announced yesterday.

SPEARHEADS

Two Allied spearheads are now advancing on the Arielli—one from San Tommaso and the other along the coastal road—and fighting their way in the face of heavy machine-gun and mortar fire. On the left flank Eighth Army guns are heavily shelling Orsogna, at the western end of the old Ortona-Orsogna line.

Pescara is now within Allied long-range artillery fire.

RIVER RAID

Thursday's raid acro[illegible] Garigliano River on Italy's [illegible] coast was made by British [illegible] who had to cross the swollen river in darkness and torrential rainfall and gales, which have since developed into one of the worst storms ever recorded in th[illegible]ea.

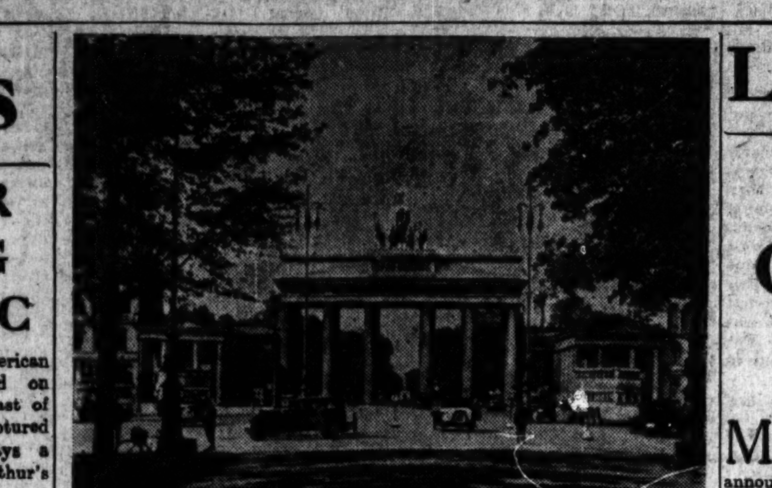
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The German News Agency stated last night that "shock troops yesterday carried out successful operations against Anglo-American strongpoints and field positions along the Garigliano River and at several points in the Western and Central Apennines. Prisoners were taken."

A communiqué from Allied Headquarters in North Africa states that "P.T. boats of the United States Navy attacked shipping in the Gulf of Genoa on December 29th and 30th. An enemy trawler was damaged and a torpedo attack on another ship resulted in an explosion. The following night British destroyers shelled a schooner off the east coast of Italy and drove it ashore."

Pétain Sees Changing of Guard.—Marshal Pétain watched the changing of the guard from his balcony at the Hotel du Parc yesterday, according to Paris Radio. This was the first time since November 13th



Berlin's famous Brandenburg Gate.

Berlin Raided in Great Force

ONLY ONE FIGHTER LOST IN FRENCH ATTACK

WHAT is described as another raid in great force was made by the Royal Air Force on Berlin on Saturday night. A smaller attack was carried out on Hamburg and other targets in Western Germany and Northern France. Twenty-eight aircraft are missing.

The bombing of military objectives in Northern France was continued yesterday, according to last night's communiqué. "Good results were obtained. Four German 'planes were shot down. One of our fighters is missing."

The British Air Ministry's report stated:—

"On Saturday night Lancasters of Bomber Command in great strength attacked Berlin. Weather prevented immediate observation of results, but first reports indicate that the target area was effectively marked and bombed.

"Other aircraft attacked Hamburg and objectives in Western Germany and Northern France. Twenty-eight of our aircraft are missing."

The British Air Ministry News Service stated:—

"The attack was timed for the early hours of the morning to avoid the moon, with cloud and a high wind as an additional hazard. This meant skilled airmanship and navigation were needed, with very careful routeing and timing by the Air Staff. It was an all-Lancaster force and well over 1,000 tons of bombs were dropped on the target.

"The main German night fighter disposition does not seem to have reached Berlin, where the Germans relied on intense flak, but a number of fighters met the bomber stream when it was still about 150 miles from the target and again on the way back.

"By a quarter past three—the attack began at three o'clock—columns of smoke were rising above the main cloud bank. The searchlights were blanketed by the cloud and the flak, both heavy and light, was in barrage form."

DAY ATTACKS

Military objectives in Northern France were attacked on Saturday by R.A.F. Mosquitos and Hurricane fighter-bombers, escorted by Spitfire and Typhoon fighters. Weather hampered the attack, but a number of hits were reported. No aircraft is missing.

Reuter's special correspondent in Stockholm stated yesterday that the R.A.F. raid on Berlin took Berliners by surprise, says a Berlin despatch in an extra edition of *Aftonbladet*. They had expected the attack on New Year's Eve. High explosive and incendiary bombs caused damage in various parts of the city, particularly residential districts, the Germans asserted, but most of the bombs fell on the outer areas.

Yesterday's German High Command communiqué, quoted by Reuter, stated:—

"Berlin was again attacked by a fairly large number of British bombers during the early morning of Sunday. High explosive and incendiary bombs, dropped at random, caused damage, particularly to dwelling-houses in some districts of the city.

"The number of enemy 'planes brought down during the attack on Greater Paris, given as 19 in the official German report of January 1st, has now risen to 31, 29 of which are four-engined North American bombers."

Aircraft approaching London from the south and south-east were met by gunfire. Searchlights were in action. Gunfire was also heard in the Thames Estuary. Two flares were dropped over one area.

One bomb was reported to have been dropped in the Home Counties.

EARLY INVASION EXPECTED

SEASONED German troops experienced on the Eastern front are in readiness for a large-scale landing in Europe, which, says the German News Agency, Germany is convinced will be attempted soon.

"Measures for defence and counter-stroke have been adopted on the German side, with the customary thoroughness and strength of organisation, and have been further intensified during the past few months," the Agency said. "An enormous number of guns of all calibres are in positions which will probably be able to stand up even to the strongest enemy fire. Other defence measures, such as the shifting of mine fields at sea and along the coasts during the past five months, have also been largely concluded.

"Fighting devices of the most modern type are either being installed or in a state of completion. Since the autumn an army has been provided, which, consisting of seasoned divisions from the East, is equipped with all means for a swift and mobile offensive. German military quarters have noted the increase of British and American troops concentrated in Southern England, the accumulation of landing boats in many British ports, the gathering of a transport fleet of several hundred thousand tons, and, finally, also Anglo-American attempts to break down the German defence by large-scale attacks from the air.

Referring to German conviction that a landing would be attempted in the near future, the Agency added:—"Experts even believe that the invasion army standing ready in Southern England may be compelled for political considerations to strike sooner than military considerations would make it appear opportune."—(Reuter).

Ankara Radio said last night:—"The Germans are expecting an Allied attack within the next ten days, staged in conjunction with the Russian 1944 offensive, which has already begun."—(Reuter.)

Reuter's special correspondent in Stockholm stated yesterday:—The threat of Allied invasion from the west is dominant in reports from neutral correspondents in Berlin discussing the New Year atmosphere in Germany. The dawn of the year is described as one of the calmest and quietest Berlin has ever known.

For the first time Herr Hitler and Herr Von Ribbentrop failed to hold the customary New Year's reception of diplomats accredited to Berlin. The foreign diplomats, the German News Agency said yesterday, merely entered their names in the visitors' book at the German Foreign Office in the much-bombed Wilhelmstrasse.

GERMAN ARMS

German-dominated Europe is now producing war materials adequate to a prolonged war of defence against Allied offensives of the present size, according to an analysis of the German and Japanese war potential issued by the United States Foreign Economic Administration on Saturday.

While economic strains will contribute to German political and military deterioration during the year, these will not alone cause a German collapse, it says. German economy, however, cannot possibly meet the increasing strength and pressure of the United Nations' offensives in 1944.

Germany itself is in relatively better shape than the rest of Axis Europe. The diet is somewhat inferior to last winter's, particularly in meat content, but it is much better than it was in 1918.

Increased Japanese output is believed possible for almost every category of war equipment and military supplies.—(Reuter.)

ALLIED CONVOYS

The German News Agency, quoting Spanish reports from Algeciras, said last night that 65 merchantmen and tankers are anchored in the harbour and roadstead of Gibraltar, and convoys are being assembled for the Atlantic and Mediterranean.

"A British warship of the Warspite class, which has been in dock for repairs, has left dock and is now anchored in Gibraltar Harbour, with one cruiser, several destroyers and a number of corvettes."—(Reuter.)

German Radio last night put on an "invasion thriller, called "The Gigantic Fortress of the Atlantic Wall," with sound effects, from a French town on the Channel coast. Night exercises, gunfire and shelling by coastal guns and the explosion of hand-grenades were all broadcast. The announcer said: "Many new tasks will soon face the German soldier in the West."—(Associated Press.)

Less Bacon This Month

There will be less bacon available in January than there was in December, the *Irish Times* learned yesterday.

The difference will not be very great, and a member of the trade said that it should not be noticeable, since in normal times more bacon was always sold in December than in January.

CHINA IS READY FOR OFFENSIVE

GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK said in a New Year address to the Chinese Government that China's major task in the coming year should be to launch a large-scale counter-offensive against Japan, preparations for which had been completed.

While Chinese military operations before 1943 had been co-ordinated with those of the Allied Nations against Japan, in 1944 there would be only one war strategy, he said.

United States marines have extended their hold on Cape Gloucester area, at the southern tip of New Britain, and are well dug in to withstand any counter-attacks, says Reuter's Special Corespondent at Allied Headquarters, South-West Pacific. Their perimeter around the aerodrome has been enlarged by about 1½ miles to the west and south, and beach-heads have also been strengthened.

In the battlefield area, which the Americans have now over-run, it is reported that the bodies of over 1,000 Japanese have been found.

The Americans have captured large quantities of supplies and equipment, including damaged 'planes and artillery.

HUNGARY EXPECTS ATTACK

General Szombathely, Chief of the Hungarian General Staff, warned his countrymen that in 1944 the Hungarian frontiers "will be threatened and large-scale attacks both from the air and on the ground must be expected," says Budapest Radio.

"The decisive operations of the war are now imminent as the war approaches the Hungarian frontier. In no circumstances must Hungary follow the example of Italy. If the dangerous desire for peace were to spread in Hungary it would mean the country's destruction."—(Associated Press.)

Tito Denies Berlin Claims

A Yugo-Slav announcement from Marshal Tito's headquarters yesterday denied the recent German claim to have captured the Bosnian town of Ja Jce, where a month ago Marshal Tito's Anti-Fascist Council formed a Constitution for Jugo-Slavia and established a Provisional Government.

In the Herzegovina-Sanjak-Montenegro area Tito's troops continued their successful offensive, and in Serbia one German and one Mihailovitch unit were routed with heavy losses.—(P.A. and Reuter.)

Warning by Bolivian President

General Enrique Panaranda, President of Bolivia, who fled during the recent *coup d'etat* in La Paz, yesterday asserted that the movement against his Government was anti-democratic, and was intimately associated with the "Fifth Column" and its plan of action in that continent

"The professions of democratic faith of the present régime in Bolivia," he said, "are part of a plan to secure recognition. America, united in war, cannot afford to be deceived, for it would amount to losing the battle of this continent."—(Reuter.)

News from Far East Prisoners

A further batch of about 49,000 postcards and letters from prisoners of war and civilian internees in Japanese hands has reached Britain within the last few days, and been delivered, the British Post Office announces.

They were brought to Marmagoa (Portuguese India) in the Japanese ship used for the recent exchange of American and Japanese nationals. Approximately 56 per cent. of the mail came from camps in Thailand (Siam), and about 15 per cent. from Java and Sumatra, the remainder being from camps in Japan, Hongkong, occupied China, Korea, Formosa and Burma.

Mr. Roosevelt's Sick-bed Message

President Roosevelt, in a New Year message from his sick-bed, said:—"The United Nations are giving attention to a different kind of struggle which must follow the military phases—the struggle against disease, malnutrition, unemployment and many other forms of economic and social distress.

"Let us pledge ourselves that our co-operation shall continue both for winning the final victory on the battlefield and for establishing an international organisation of all peace-loving nations to maintain peace and security."—(Reuter.)

Where Will Allies Strike?

BY OUR MILITARY CORRESPONDENT.

EVERYBODY is now on tiptoe about impending Allied offensives; and it is popularly supposed that these will result in decisive action, as far as concerns the war in Europe. But we should realise that there is a difference between launching an attack and carrying it through to a successful conclusion. For the latter, it is necessary to wear down the adversary—and, as far as can be ascertained, the Germans are not as yet in serious danger on this score. They continue to defend strongly both in Russia and Italy, they claim important offensive successes in the Balkans, and there does not seem to be any reason to expect a new attack to score a walk-over in any other theatre.

It seems to be accepted that a specifically "western" attack will be launched in the fairly near future. For reasons of weather, this can scarcely take place before March; but the date will, doubtless, be advanced as much as possible. The material side will certainly be as well organised as can be—and the aim will be to provide the most complete aerial cover. The technique, in short, will be first-class. The strength, too, will be considerable—but, for all that, it will not be easy to achieve a numerical superiority of a decisive kind.

SCANDINAVIA

Much, naturally, would turn on the line of attack; some directions would be much more useful than others. It will be of interest to examine the pros and cons of a number of alternative entrances into Western Europe. We have got a sort of line on this from the recent tour of inspection by Field-Marshal Rommel.

A fully successful landing on the Danish peninsula would lay wide open the entire German defensive disposition. It has the further recommendations that relatively small numbers would suffice and that flank protection would easily be provided. As against this, Jutland is too far away for high-performance fighter aircraft to provide the requisite cover. Long-distance fighters are not quite the same. Moreover, the German High Command fully realises the importance of this region, and it certainly is not being neglected.

Another zone of attack equally suitable for moderate numbers is Norway. A landing in Norway would, very likely, be easier to effect than in Jutland; but it would be much less decisive. It would have the character of a diversion—and it would have been more useful a year ago.

By contrast with these two possible Scandinavian landings, one in France or the Low Countries would have quite a different character. The aerial and naval aspects would be very much simpler—as far as the actual putting of men and material ashore is concerned. As against this, however, there would be an unlimited character to the operation. It would not be easy to sectionise the activity, flanks would tend to be in the air, etc. There are many good defensive lines in France against an enemy advancing from the west—apart from the difficult nature of much of the actual coast itself.

OTHER POSSIBLES

There are, however, certain possibilities along points of the French littoral—places where sea and air power could be exploited to some extent. One is the area between the Somme and the Seine, and others include the Cotentin peninsula, Brittany and the extreme south between the Garonne and the Spanish frontier. Doubtless, more than one of these points of attack will be chosen. By multiplying threatened points the defender is tied down to some extent and kept guessing. Whichever line of attack is succeeding may later be made the main effort.

It will be apparent, however, that no Allied invasion of the Continent can be light-heartedly undertaken. Those spokesmen who sound notes of warning are well-advised. Still, there is no doubt that the Anglo-Americans have developed the technique of forced landings on a great scale. The actual putting ashore of great numbers of men and quantities of material can be done. Surprise and a flying start might very well result in important initial success before the impetus died away. That would seem to be the most important factor—and it is largely a business of organisation.

The Soviet periodical, *War and the Working Class*, accuses King Carol of Rumania and M. Tilea, former Rumanian Ambassador in London, of trying to pose as legitimate representatives of a democratic Rumania.

LABOUR MAY SUPPORT TRANSPORT MERGER

JUDGING by the expressions of certain politicians on the proposed merger of the Dublin United Transport Company with the Great Southern Railways Company, the scheme will be fought strenuously in its progress through the Dail.

(BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.)

It is apparent that the proposal will have the benevolent support of the Labour Party. Consequently the result may be taken as foregone. The Government Party plus Labour will provide adequate voting power to carry any scheme which the Government may put forward.

This assumption is, however, dependent on Labour's approval of the general terms of the measure. And what these may be will not be known till the text of the bill is available. This is expected before the Easter vacation.

1938 TRIBUNAL

It is of interest to note that the case of the Transport Company was considered by the Transport Tribunal which was set up in 1938, and reported the following year. No such drastic change as that now under consideration was contemplated at that time. The Tribunal concerned itself mainly with the Transport Company's need of additional capital, and made recommendations which have, in fact, been carried out already. One of these was that the directorate should be reduced from seven part-time directors to three, two to be elected by the shareholders, and one, who would be chairman, to be nominated by the Government. The appointment of Mr. Percy Reynolds to be head of the concern seems to cover this proposal.

CANAL COMPANY

The Tribunal dealt also with the position of the Grand Canal Company, which, according to some authorities, is likely to be included in the coming legislation. According to the Tribunal the position of the company, while not altogether satisfactory, gave no cause for immediate anxiety.

Much will be heard during the coming debates in the Dail as to the entrenchment of a monopoly in the transport world, and the possible loss of further facilities in areas hitherto served by smaller railways, which no longer exist. Twenty-six of these were incorporated in the Great Southern Railways under the 1924 Act. The scheme will, no doubt, make provision for road transport on a more extensive scale, so that no part of the country will be completely isolated.

Lorry Owners' Fears

MR. M. J. O'CONNOR, Secretary of the Lorry Owners' Association, said that the announcement gave additional confirmation to what they suspected—that the Minister had a long-term policy designed to make all freight and public passenger transport a railway controlled monopoly, but that he was only disclosing this policy by degrees. One step in it was the proposal of a State guarantee for the capital of the G.S.R. The proposal to take over the D.U.T.C. was another step, and eventually it would be announced that the taking over of private lorries, which had been declared to be a temporary measure, would be permanent.

Mr. O'Connor said that the sooner the Minister laid his full policy before the Dail the fairer it would be to the whole country and to the interests concerned.

Emergency Windfall for Shareholders

DISCUSSING the position of the G.S.R. and Dublin Transport shareholders under the Government's amalgamation plans, a retired banker expressed the view that stockholders, as a body, actually would secure handsome profits as the consequence of emergency conditions.

"I wonder," he said, "whether these disgruntled people ever stop to consider what their position would be to-day if peace had continued. Four years ago G.S.R. and Dublin Transport Stocks were at much less than half their present market prices, and there was little prospect that many of them would improve. Since then, purely as the result of war emergencies, market values have increased by several million pounds.

"What seems to me to be very doubtful is the wisdom of using Government guarantees to stabilise the present prices of stocks at levels which never would have been reached had it not been for the outbreak of war.

"The people who should be suspicious of the Government's plan are not the shareholders, but the taxpayers and the trading and travelling public, who, between them, must provide the money to secure perpetual dividends on £16,000,000 of State-provided capital for the benefit of shareholders whose post-war prospects otherwise would seem to be anything but rosy."

Shareholders in the D.U.T.C. have a different viewpoint, writes a Financial Correspondent. They are disappointed with the offer of £14 10s. in 3 per cent. Government Guaranteed Debenture for every £10 of Preference or Ordinary held in the Transport Company, because it merely corresponds with current market prices. Even if the Debenture stock were to rise to 95—the current price is 85½—it would only be equivalent to about 27s. 6d. for each Ordinary or Preference share. Moreover, they will have to be content with 3 per cent. on the money, whereas they received 6 per cent. for the year 1942 out of earnings of no less than 21 per cent.

Shareholders had been looking forward to substantially bigger dividends as soon as the Restrictions on Companies Order was revoked. Over the last ten years, the average Ord. dividend has been 3 per cent., but then there has been a considerable appreciation in capital during that period.

They feel that if the company were left alone it would do as well, if not better, than when incorporated with the G.S.R. It is not fair, said one shareholder, that we should have to throw in our lot with the railways, which are in such a bad way.

164 GERMANS RESCUED BY IRISH SHIP

It has been announced by the Government Information Bureau that early on Saturday morning 164 German naval personnel, who had been picked up in the Atlantic by the crew of the s.s. Kerlogue, were landed at Cobh.

The interment took place, with full military honours, yesterday, in the Old Church Cemetery, Cobh, of Lieutenant Adolf Braayz and a leading seaman, whose deaths occurred following the rescue of a large number of German naval men by the m.v. Kerlogue, of the Wexford Steamship Co.



Master Derek Reddin and Miss Joan Reddin, at the children's meet of the South County Dublin Harriers on Saturday.

Sir J. O'Connell's Funeral

The remains of the Rev. Sir John O'Connell, who died at Brockenhurst, Hants, will arrive in Dublin to-morrow evening by the mail boat. Mass will be celebrated in St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, at 9.30 on Wednesday morning, and the funeral will then take place to Glasnevin. Prior to the remains leaving London there will be Requiem Mass in Westminster Cathedral.

Conservative Party's Bold Proposals

BOLD proposals for winning back prosperity after the war are set out in a report, "Work: The Future of British Industry," published yesterday by the Conservative Party's Sub-Committee on Industry. Their recommendations, with those of other committees on reconstruction, will be presented [illegible] Churchill as leader of the [illegible]

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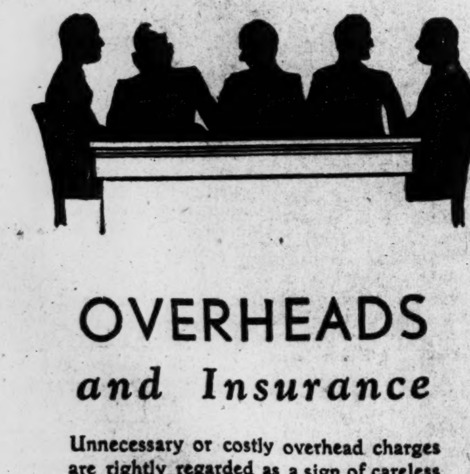
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The raising of the standard living of backward peoples, and the establishment of an international statistical service on economic questions, about which there is at present dangerously faulty information.

"Nationalisation," the report says, "we reject, for the clear reason that it would be inefficient, fettered by the bureaucratic systems and warped by political interference; Red tape—for which Government departments are so often criticised—would be extended to tie up the basic industries."



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Funny Returns to Form

BACKERS started the new year reasonably well at Baldoyle on Saturday, two favourites, a joint-favourite and a second favourite scoring, and the racing was good to watch. Recent form did not commend Funny to the punters, but after running fourth twice in succession at Leopardstown, Mr. Rank's gelding had three lengths to spare from Prince Blackthorn, which was made a hot favourite in the three miles Baldoyle 'Chase.

It was a keen struggle between the two all the way. Brogan got the favourite in front at the start, and he held that position for nearly the whole journey, but Funny was there all the time, seldom more than a length or two behind. Coming down the slope to the last bend, Funny closed up, and Knight's Crest also offered a challenge as they came into the straight. The leading pair jumped the last almost in line, but half-way to the winning post it was plain that Prince Blackthorn was beaten, and Funny forged ahead to score by three lengths.

There were two tremendous finishes. In the first race Knee High took the lead rounding the last bend, and Brabazon managed to hold him in front despite a powerful challenge by Caughoo all the way to the finish, where there was only a short head between them. A similar small margin separated Red Thorn and Pongo in the Sutton Hurdle, and here the challenger just managed to get up in the straight, Maguire riding exceptionally well.

2.0—FELTRIM HURDLE, £125. 2m.

Knee High, ch. g. by Knight of the Garter—Red Leg (Miss E. Shortiss, 5, 10-9 ...A. Brabazon 1
Caughoo, 5, 9-7 ...M. C. Prendergast 2
Winawar, 6, 10-5 ....D. Morgan 3

Colehill, 10-7 (D. L. Moore), 4; Cockasnook, 9-9 (T. McNeill), 5; Mark Twain, 9-7 (Mr. L. McMorrow), 6; Tayanglet, 9-9 (C. O'Neill), 7; Foam Crest, 11-0 (E. Newman); Rockleigh, 10-4 (J. Brogan); Rhodes, 9-9 (T. Ellis); Clonbera, 9-9 (E. Conlon); Zog, 9-10 (M. Browne); Mel's Battle, 10-0 (J. Fitzgerald); Tom Mix, 9-6 (J. Hill); The Lawn Mower, 9-2 (M. Heffernan). Brabazon.

4/1 KNEE HIGH, Cockasnook, 9/2 Tayanglet, 6/1 Rockleigh, 7/1 Winawar, 10/1 Caughoo, Colehill, Tom Mix, Mark Twain, Zog, 20/1 others. Tote—10/-. Places, 4/-, 5/6, 6/-. Short head; same.

2.30—CLAREMONT 'CHASE, £100. 2½ m.

Double Flush, ch. g. by Double—Flush of Dawn (Mr. D. Kelly), a, 9-12 ....M. Brown 1
Trigger Jack, a, 11-0 ...A. Brabazon 2
Barghora, a, 11-9 ....J. Brogan 3

Housewarmer, 10-11 (D. L. Moore), 4; Erinox, 11-8 (P. J. Cahalin), 5; Dan Kelly, 10-5 (E. J. Kennedy), 6; Donohill, 10-5 (K. Bell) (fell); Broken Promise, 11-11 (T. Hyde) (fell). Hyde.

6/4 Trigger Jack, 7/2 Erinox, 9/2 Housewarmer, 100/8 DOUBLE FLUSH and Dan Kelly, 20/1 Barghora and others. Tote—23/-. Places, 5/6, 3/-, 6/6. 1½l.; 15l.

3.0—SUTTON HURDLE, £100. 1½ m.

Red Thorn, ch. g. by Walvis Bay—Roselake (Mr C. L. Robinson), 5, 11-3 ....J. P. Maguire 1
Pongo, 6, 11-7 ....W. T. O'Grady 2
Oversway, 4, 10-7 ....A. Brabazon 3

Golden Souvenir, 10-7 (T. McNeill), 4; Royal Concert, 11-2 (B. O'Neill), 5; Tasmanian, 10-12 (J. Morahan), 6; Kai Lung, 12-7 (T. Hyde); Knight's Wink, 10-12 (K. Glisenan); Pet Penny, 10-7 (M. C. Prendergast); First Violin, 10-2 (M. O'Reilly); Dismas, 10-7 (P. J. Murphy); The Solid Man, 10-12 (Mr. T. R. Tynan); Stephenson, 10-7 (E. Dempsey); Sandor, 10-7 (J. Foley); Silver San, 10-2 (J. Fitzgerald); Pucka Kumar, 10-2 (F. Mangan); Feastday, 10-7 (M. Regan); Merenptah, 10-7 (J. Brogan); Bremen's Bay, 10-2 (B. Sheridan); Gransha Bridge, 10-2 (D. Keating); Adollar, 10-2 (— Power); Airy Prince, 10-2 (F. O'Connell); Rent Free, 10-2 (T. Ellis); Batting Pedulas, 10-7 (Mr. J. Woods); Spears, 10-2 (E. Newman); Plucky Boy, 9-12 (J. Tuite); Johnson, 10-2 (J. J. Hill). M. A. Byrne.

3/1 Oversway, 7/2 RED THORN, 5/1 Pongo, 10/1 Merenptah, 20/1 Kai Lung, Knight's Wink, Golden Souvenir, Airy Prince, 50/1 others. Tote: 8/6; places, 3/-, 3/6, 2/6. Short head; 1½l.

3.30—BALDOYLE 'CHASE, £200. 3m. 100yds.

Funny, br. g. by Kirk-Alloway—Jap's Toy (Mr. J. V. Rank), a, 9-8 E. Newman 1
Prince Blackthorn, 6, 10-3...J. Brogan 2
Knight's Crest, a, 9-11 ...M. Moloney 3

Sen's Pride, 9-7 (J. Foley), 4; Kilstar, 9-7 (A. Brabazon), 5; Sir Sen, 9-12 (D. L. Moore). Dreaper.

5/4 Prince Blackthorn, 3/1 Knight's Crest, 5/1 Sir Sen, 8/1 FUNNY, 20/1 others. Tote: 13/6; places, 5/-, 3/-, 3l.; 2l.

4.0—NOVICES' 'CHASE, £100. 2m. 1f. 120yds.

Red Branch, ch. m. by Knight of the Garter—Greenogue Princess (Mr. J. V. Rank), 6, 11-0......T. Hyde 1
Yung-Yat, a, 10-9......T. Cullen, jun. 2
Smiling Marcus, a, 12-0......J. Brogan *
Royal Jack, a, 11-0......D. L. Moore *
*Dead-heat for third.

Peter's Gift, 12-0 (M Gordon), 5; African Collection 10-12 (E. Newman), 6; Good Date, 10-9 (F. O'Connor); Wise Lad, 11-0 (P. J. Murphy) (fell); Lost Battle, 11-0 (J. Fitzgerald); Desert Star, 11-0 (P. Timmons) (fell). Dreaper.

3/1 RED BRANCH, 7/2 Smiling Marcus, 4/1 Desert Star, 6/1 Good Date, 8/1 Royal Jack, Yung-Yat, and African Collection; 20/1 others. Tote, 9/-; places, 3/6, 5/-; Royal Jack 3/-, Smiling Marcus 2/-. 1l.; head.

4.25—STAYERS' PLATE, £100. 2m. 1f. 14yds.

Sparkling Hock, b. g. by Tolgus—Miss Lucy Glitters (Mr. W. M. Shawe Taylor), 5, 12-3 ...Mr. P. Sleator 1
Procea, a, 12-7 ......Mr. P. P. Hogan 2
Sleepy Hollow, 4, 11-7 Mr. E. Parkinson 3

Indiana, 11-2 (Mr. W. J. Davis), 4; Red Quill, 12-2 (Mr. R. Murphy), 5; Ballinacree Lass, 11-7 (Commdt. D. Corry), 6; Willpower, 12-7 (Mr. G. P. Dodd), 7; Glen Top, 12-7 (Mr. J. R. Cox); African Glen, 12-7 (Mr. L. McMorrow); Swoop, 12-2 (Mr. P. M. O'Roarke); Numero, 12-7 (Mr. T. Nugent); Knight Marshal, 12-2 (Mr. M. N. Walker); B Flat, 11-12 (Mr. B. Lawless); Fergus, 12-3 (Mr. G. V. Malcolmson); Church Hill, 11-12 (Mr. F. Mulley); April Eve, 11-12 (Mr. M. McClancy). Ussher.

4/5 SPARKLING HOCK, 9/2 Ballinacree Lass, 7/1 Procea, Numero; 10/1 Willpower, Knight Marshal; 20/1 Sleepy Hollow and others. Tote, 3/6; places, 2/6, 5/- 12/6. 6l.; ½l.

Tote Double—Funny and Red Branch, £8 15/-; 65 winning units; pool, £632. Day's pool, £4,679 8/- (record for New Year's Day); last year, £3,775 15/-.

Dropped Goal Decides Rugby Match

MONKSTOWN 7 PALMERSTON 5

W. CAMPBELL, Monkstown's most valuable player this season, pulled the game out of the fire, when he dropped a fine goal just on time, thus giving his side victory at Sydney Parade. As he also landed a penalty goal, he might almost be said to have won the match.

It was a great struggle between the forwards, probably the two best packs in Leinster, and the pace was well maintained till the end. Both clubs have recently shown marked improvement, and there might be a surprise in store in the Cup competition.

In the first half Campbell handed a penalty for Monkstown, and in the second Kenny crossed for Palmerston, Flynn converting. Then just at the end came Campbell's dropped goal.

LANSDOWNE ... 7 CLONTARF ... 0

Lansdowne beat Clontarf at Castle avenue by a dropped goal and a penalty goal, both scored by O'Donnell, to nil. Good back play was a discount, the passing and handling by both sets of three-quarters being faulty to a degree. Moran had a bad match, Crawford being the only dangerous Clontarf back. Lansdowne pack were on top throughout in the set scrums, and their backs got the ball frequently enough to get tries. Lansdowne led by their seven points at the interval, but in the second half Clontarf were continuously on the offensive, only for bad passing or faulty handling to lose them, time and again, good chances of scoring; while Con Murphy stemmed several resolute forward rushes.

OLD BELVEDERE 11
BECTIVE RANGERS 5

Though, apparently, playing well within their capacity, and winning a lively game on their merits by a goal and two tries to a goal, Belvedere's performance against Bective Rangers was not very convincing. The play of the forwards was patchy, and the Bective pack (seven for most of the game and six at the end) was at times right on top.

The back machinery did not work too smoothly, and many good openings were wasted by K. Quinn's holding on too long and getting himself into difficulties, and by G. Quinn in making the final transfer badly. The defence did not look very sound, but G. Quinn's clever shadowing often sealed off gaps left by the others. The Bective forwards played spiritedly, and their rushes towards the end were dangerous; but the backs, as a whole, showed little speed or ability in attack.

Clever running by K. Quinn and F. Quinn in a movement which started in their own 25 ended in Cleary's getting Belvedere's first try. Thorpe goaling. Hensey and B. Quinn scored the other tries. Duggan got over for Bective, Greene converting.

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE 15
BLACKROCK COLLEGE... 3

Despite the fact that they were without S. Ryan, who retired injured, for the greater part of the match, St. Mary's had little difficulty in defeating Blackrock at Kimmage Grove. The scoring was five unconverted tries to one.

The chief influence in St. Mary's victory was the quick breaking and keen tackling of their pack, which never allowed a disappointing Blackrock back division to get moving. The winners' backs, getting a little more of the ball, also made slightly better use of it, but the forwards were always the dominant factor in the game.

M. Troy and D. Hughes scored tries for St. Mary's in the first half; and after G. Norton, the full-back, and P. Meehan had added two more, Troy crossed again to crown a grand display at wing forward. Just before full time T. Chamberlain got over for Blackrock.

WANDERERS... 10 OLD WESLEY... 0

A rather uninteresting match at Lansdowne road on Saturday resulted in a win for Wanderers by 2 goals to nil. Owing to the inability of either back division to bring off a successful passing movement, and to over-use of the kick ahead, the game was rather scrappy. The heavier Wanderers' pack had the best of matters in the scrums; but, with a good service of the ball, only Robertson and Collins, of the backs showed to any advantage. The former ran well for his two tries, his second effort being the result of a clever piece of work. He also converted both.

The light Wesley pack were hard pressed, but their efforts towards the end deserved a score. Carry played well and was the mainspring of the team, but most of his efforts were negatived by the poor handling of the rest of the backs.

CORK CONSTN. 22 DUBLIN UNIV. 3

A weak Dublin University Fifteen were heavily defeated in Cork on Saturday by the Munster Cup-holders, who are unbeaten for over a year, and were more than a match for their visitors, who proved too slow and unfinished behind the scrum, though nearer to equal terms forward. Constitution backs were altogether too good for Trinity, whose lack of pace was much in evidence. The Constitution combination of C. O'Driscoll and J. Riordan, at left centre and wing, was very successful, the centre sending the winger through for four tries. Other scorers were O'Driscoll and Costigan, T. Barry converting two tries. Towards the end of the game Moore kicked a penalty goal for Trinity.

No Unbeaten Team in Soccer League

BOTH Shamrock Rovers and Dundalk met with their first defeat in the Football League yesterday. Rovers went under 3-2 at Limerick, and probably were unlucky not at least to draw, for they were putting in great work at the finish when the Limerick team obviously were becoming tired.

Dundalk, with substitutes for five of their regular players, and with a still unfit Donal Flanagan leading the forwards, were beaten at home by Shelbourne.

The revised table to date reads:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Dundalk	6	3	2	1	10	5	8
Limerick	6	3	2	1	12	8	8
Rovers	5	3	1	1	16	4	7
Shelbourne	5	3	1	1	10	5	7
Bohemians	5	3	0	2	10	11	6
Cork	6	2	1	3	12	11	5
Drumcondra	5	1	1	3	5	11	3
James's Gate	6	0	0	6	4	24	0

ROVERS' RALLY CAME TOO LATE

LIMERICK......... 3 ROVERS......... 2

Limerick lowered Shamrock Rovers' unbeaten League record when mastering them by 3 goals to 2 in a thrilling game at the Markets Field, Limerick, yesterday.

Fifteen minutes from time Limerick led 3-0 and seemed set for a clear-cut victory. A goal to Rovers by Coad, however, gave them new life, and when they got a second a few minutes later Limerick were on tenterhooks. Limerick deserved to win, but were lucky that they did not concede at least a point in the last five minutes.

Limerick missed an early chance when McKenna failed with a penalty after five minutes. Rovers then did a share of the attacking, and Limerick were lucky when Keane saved an almost certain goal by Crowe. After fifteen minutes O'Leary gave Limerick the lead, and added a second in thirty minutes.

Exchanges had all the thrills of a cup tie, but Limerick were always slightly better, and had their third goal just on half-time—a beautiful effort by McStay. In the second half Limerick held their grip on the game until fifteen minutes from time, when Coad's goal arrived, followed in a few minutes with another by Rogers, who ran through from half-way. Rovers were all over a tired Limerick defence in the last few minutes, and only luck saved the home team when Rogers's shot struck the crossbar, with Tierney on the ground.

WEAK DUNDALK SIDE BEATEN

DUNDALK......... 0 SHELBOURNE 3

Dundalk lost their unbeaten League record at Oriel Park yesterday. Without O'Neill, Donnelly, Leathan, Lavery and Barlowe, they had only a skeleton side and actually started with ten men, but Donal Flanagan, though still unfit, came on to complete the side. He did well at centre forward, but found Kinsella, the Shelbourne pivot, too strong and steady, and was against Kiernan on that goalkeeper's brilliant day.

Kiernan had a much better match than Matier saving twice from McCartney and once from Flanagan when he did not seem to have a chance. As against that, Matier was beaten very easily for the second and third goals, and only a large slice of luck saved him near the end when Brendan Flanagan kicked off the line after the goalkeeper had slipped a soft shot.

Shelbourne were the better side in the first half. Dundalk had as much of the play, but their finishing was weak. Parkin, who started at right half, was injured early, and, after fifteen minutes, hobbled along as right winger.

McCluskey scored for Shelbourne after 25 minutes, and Cassidy got the second ten minutes after the change over. Three minutes from the end Kennedy netted the third.

GATE STILL WITHOUT A WIN

JAMES'S GATE ... 1 DRUMCONDRA 2

Drumcondra would have been lucky to have got away with a point at Crumlin yesterday, but a second goal, headed by McCarthy five minutes from the end, gave them both. It was the Tolka Park forwards' most listless display of the season, and the halves also appeared a tired-out lot. As a matter of fact, the Gate put more life into their play all through, and only the sound defence of Flynn, Clarke and Martin saved the visitors from defeat

Five minutes after the interval a shot by the hard-working Kinahan gave the Gate the lead, which they held until McGrane, in a melee following a corner-kick, equalised. Drumcondra's attack then livened up a bit, and, with Ward stretched on the ground in front of the Gate's goal, McCarthy headed through the winning score from a cross from the right. It was a scrappy game, largely accounted for by the elements.

THREE GOALS INSIDE FIVE MINUTES

BOHEMIANS..... 3 CORK UNITED 1

For a Cork United goalkeeper to be beaten three times inside five minutes may seem incredible, but it happened at Dalymount Park on Saturday. Four minutes after the interval, when it looked as if the first score would decide the issue, Glennon converted a penalty for Bohemians. That shook the visitors, but worse was to follow, as Waters, half-topping a clearance, from almost half-way hit the bottom of the post, off which the ball turned over the goal line. Right from the kick-off the amateurs returned and Reville settled the issue with a third goal. Sixteen minutes later O'Driscoll scored for Cork, who tried hard afterwards to get on terms, but Bohemians played very confidently and with a little luck Reville, Murray and K. O'Flanagan might have had goals.

N.I. League.—Belfast Celtic, the only unbeaten team in the Regional League, have moved into the leading position as the result of their 4-3 victory over Distillery at Celtic Park. Linfield drew 2-2 with Glentoran at Grosvenor Park, and Derry City beat Cliftonville 2-1 at Derry.

Hockey Surprise At Crumlin

JAMES'S GATE.. 1 DUBLIN UNIV... 0

A scrappy first round Mills' Cup tie between St. James's Gate and Dublin University at Crumlin resulted in a surprise win for the home team. Woods scored from a penalty corner a minute before half-time.

The first half was evenly contested, but Trinity did practically all the attacking after the interval, and forced about a dozen corners. That they didn't score was almost entirely due to Parkinson, who brought off grand saves from Lush and McGilligan.

CORINTHIANS.. 2 Y.M.C.A........... 2

Twenty minutes extra time failed to decide the first round Mills' Cup tie at Templeogue.

Corinthians, playing their first home match at Templeogue for the season, scored two snap goals by G. Kane and King in the first twelve minutes. Shortly after, Y.M.C.A. lost R. Walker, who retired with an eye injury but, despite this handicap, they continued to control the game, and exceptionally sound defending by G. Cole, E. Felton, W. Lindsay, M. Kane and J. Brewster prevented them scoring for sixty-five minutes' play. Lindsay conceded a penalty bully through a knock-on, and Strong scored. With a minute to go Sanderson netted from a short corner.

Railway Union... 0 Three Rock R. ... 0

Three Rock Rovers, who played J. A. MacDonogh and W. Pilkington, lost a valuable point at Park avenue, where their return match with Railway Union ended in a scoreless draw. It was a fair result to a keenly-contested game. Railway's reorganised defence, which included M. C. O'Donoghue, in goal, and Tanham, at right-half, was very effective, and was a match for Rovers' strengthened attack. The visitors' defence, too, was reliable, and Cuffe had few anxious moments. The forwards on both sides tried hard, but they found it difficult to make progress on a pitch that cut up.

Portrane.......... 6 Avoca School...... 2

For their visit to Newtownpark avenue in the Senior League Portrane were without their left-back, B. Murphy and T. Kavanagh filled the vacancy, R. Neville taking the latter's place at left-half, while Avoca played Parminter, Woods and Serratt for Hyde, Westrap and Tyrrell, respectively.

In the first half P. Neville and Callan put Portrane ahead, but goals from Serratt and Becket levelled the score. In the second half P. Neville, Callan (2) and Caprani scored for Portrane.

Irish Senior Cup (Ulster Section).—First Round—Short and Harlands 3, North Down 1. Second Round—Banbridge 2, Queen's 1; R.U.C. 2, Newry Olympic 1.

Irish Junior Cup (Ulster Section).—First Round—Mossley 2, Dunmurry 1. Second Round—R.U.C. 3, St. Donard's 0; Portrush 1, Short and Harlands 0; Cliftonville 6, R.A.F. 2.

GOOD HURLING WIN FOR FAUGHS

By PAT'O

Faughs ... 5-7 Young Irelands ... 2-3

Playing clever ground-hurling of their best brand, Faughs defeated Young Irelands at Croke Park yesterday. Young Irelands were short of Rackard and Skehal, whilst Faughs fielded out without Mullane and Ford. All places were well filled from junior ranks, but Young Irelands were not up to form in the second half. Though Faughs lost a man (sent to the sideline by Referee J. Kelly), they were far steadier around goal, and Downes was deadly with his shots.

Prior and Dynan exchanged goals early on; Treacy gave Young Ireland a lead from open play and close-in frees. Gray, Downes (2 goals) and Gill recovered the balance for Faughs before half-time, when they led 3-2 to 2-3.

Faughs were in a winning mood—Farrell sent a 70 yards' ball sailing through; Gray, Callanan and Prior added to the lead, and Downes scored two grand goals.

Other Results—New Ireland Assurance Company 10-6, Garda 4-2; Fontenoy's 3-7, Eoghan Ruadh (B) 5-2; Army 2-3, St. Vincent's 2-3.

SQUASH RACKETS

To-day, Gray Cup final, Fitzwilliam v. Bankers, Fitzwilliam, 5 o'clock.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

After the trial match on Saturday the following teams were selected for the final trial games. The Senior trial will be played on January 15th, at a venue to be announced later, and the date and venue for the Junior trial have not been arranged:—

SENIOR TEAMS

"A"—Miss Bateman (Trinity), Mrs. O'Neill (Muckross), Mrs. Moran (Pembroke Wanderers), Misses McCourt (Muckross), Whiteside (Pembroke Wanderers), Lamb (Optimists), C. McCarroll (Pembroke Wanderers), B. White (Muckross), Mrs. Whelan (Pembroke Wanderers), Miss J. White (Muckross), and Mrs. Reville (Muckross).

"B"—Misses McLoone (Loreto Past), Blunden (Old College), B. Branigan (Muckross) Mrs. Donaldson (Pembroke Wanderers) Mrs. McDonald (Loreto Past), Misses Walker (Muckross), O'Reilly (Loreto Past), Sheehan (Newcomes), Bolton (Old College), J. McCarroll (Pembroke Wanderers), and B. Matthews (Muckross II.).

JUNIOR TEAMS

"A"—Misses Greene (Muckross), McCready (Massage), Furniss (Trinity), Nicholls (Old Wesley), Donnelly (Trinity), S. Gorry (Naas), Kelly (Naas), Kennedy (Newcomes), Brown (Newcomes), J. Gorry (Naas), and Nolan (Comptometers).

"B"—Misses Lambert (Glennane); Mann (Old College), Kelly (Loreto Past), Russell (Loreto Past), Howley (Railway Union), Snowe (Old College), Curley (Pembroke Wanderers), Doran (Loreto Past), Ferguson (Old Rutland), Lindsay (Massage), and O'Connor (Muckross).

Reserves—Misses McDonald (Trinity) and O'Connell (Loreto Past).

In Saturday's Senior trial "A" team had an easy victory over "B" team by 7-2. Misses B. White (2) and McCarroll scored for "A" in the first half, and Mrs. Whelan and Miss E. Brannigan for "B." In the second half Misses B. White and J. White added four goals for "A."

In the Junior trials at Serpentine avenue "A" beat "B" 4-1, and "C" beat "D" 1-0.

Instonians 3, Old College 1.

LONDON DOG RESULTS

Walthamstow—Shortridge Queen (9/4, co. fav.) 1, Killeagh Doon 2. Honest Romance (5/1) 1, Dutton Vulture 2; Tolbot Street non-runner. Dutton Lancaster (5/1) 1, Dew Dragon 2. Man From Cahir (8/1) 1, Colligan Lad 2. Coal Cart (3/1, fav.) 1, Dancing Manhattan 2. Silver Robert (7/1) 1, Knight's Ward 2. Broughton Cedric (3/1) 1, Barrack Playboy 2. Dutton Spitfire (3/1, fav.) 1, Ballypoker 2.

Wembley — Ella's Olympic (5/2) 1, Bridgemill Blue Boy 2. Malsah Tom (9/4, fav.) 1, Peggy McNab 2. Will o' the Wisp (7/2) 1, Bilting Antoinette 2. Hylton (4/1) 1, Myroe Blizzard 2. Curracloe Raven (11/8, fav.) 1, Ballasino Captain 2. Bright Feather (11/4) 1, Pacific Monarch 2. Floating Dock (evens, fav.) 1, Frontier Command 2. Blazing Trail (7/2) 1, Ballycurreen Monk 2.

Wimbledon—Topper's Return (11/8) 1, Fairlands Classic 2. Write Plainly (evens, fav.) 1, Blue Sheila 2. Irish Dubh (5/1) 1, Lordling 2. Another Noble Gael (5/2) 1, Fair Method 2; Hard to Kid non-runner. Dearlaw (2/1) -, Douglas C. 2. Slippery Simon (6/1) 1, Spanish Miller 2. Yankee Mack (5/2) 1, Rustic Light 2. Peg the Proud (3/1) 1, Come on Iris 2.

GOLF CLUB RESULTS

Royal Dublin.—Fourball—D. O'Connor (11) and C. Armstrong (15), 5 up; K. Bridges (7) and J. Kearns (8), 3 up; J. Greene (5) and R. Taylor (9), 3 up; R. Ryan (8) and J. Murray (14), 3 up.

Milltown.—Medals—I: P. Tierney (9), all square; G. Greene (7), 1 down; H. Moore (8), 1 down; M. O'Higgins (10), 1 down. II: P. Plunkett (12), 3 up; J. Bolton (21), 3 up. Saturday—Scotch foursomes, classes.

Dun Laoghaire.—Medals—I.: S. B. Jones (3), 2 up. II: F. Whitney (15), 2 up. III: P. Walsh (20), 1 up. Ladies—Thursday: Medal, 15 holes, bogey.

Sutton.—Medals—I: J. Doyle (1), 40½; G. Ffrench (4), 41. II: J. Callaghan (16½), 42½; R. Quinn (11½), 48½; J. Boyd (13½), 48½.

Foxrock. — Scotch foursomes — H. McAuley and D. Doran, J. Fletcher and J. Thornton, A. Neale and R. Kenny, and L. Allen and J. Boylan, tied with 4 down.

Castle.—Fourball—First nine: W. Robbie (4) and J. Martin (7), R. Murray (3) and W. O'Neill (10), S. G. Young (12) and G. Quin (8), P. Redmond (11) and C. Cremin (9), tied with 4 up. Second nine: T. Garland (7) and W. Reynolds (6) 2 up.

Rathfarnham.—Scotch foursomes: J. Johnston (6) and W. Poole (22), 1 up; V. Bailey (8) and D. McColl (19), all square.

Foxrock. — Ladies—To-morrow: Medal. Committee meeting, 2 o'c.

Grange. — Ladies—To-morrow: Sweepstake, first 9 holes. Thursday: Medal, inner 9 holes. Draws 2.15, 3.0.

Island. — Ladies — Wednesday: Medal, bogey.

Herrings Plentiful. — The winter herring season in Rosslare Bay is proving most successful. Huge catches have been landed, and the herrings are in brisk demand at £1 15s. 0d. per mease (600 fish).

Revival in Rails on Dividend Prospects

THE Dublin Stock Exchange has failed to shake off the full effects of the Christmas holidays, and, with public interest more centred in the festivities of the season, trading was negligible during the greater part of the past week. Despite the prevailing quietness which is so usual at this time of the year, prices held up remarkably well, and inclined higher in places. This augurs well for the coming year, and most people are looking forward with quiet confidence.

A mild feature was the revival of interest in Home Rails, and especially in Great Northern issues. Although the reports are not due until next February, dividend prospects are being discussed. Last year the Great Northern Company paid an Ordinary dividend of 1½ per cent., although some people were expecting a payment of 3 per cent. In certain quarters these hopes were revived, and the Ordinary stock was supported up to 22½. If these expectations are realised, then the Preference must look quite attractive at the current level of 44. In addition to the high return for money invested, there is also room for capital appreciation.

DEBENTURE CHEAP

The market in Great Southern issues is quieter, but prices are holding firm. The new transport Bill will come before the Dail shortly, but the passage of the Great Southern part of it seems reasonably assured. Many people feel that this company has done better during the current year and that the prospects of the payment of dividend arrears on the Guaranteed stock are brighter. If these arrears are to be paid off, then this stock should be worth about 70. The Debenture, of course, is cheap, for, in time, it should settle down at between 90 and 95.

Solus Teoranta has maintained its interim payment of 5 per cent. on the "A" and "B" shares. This company has done well since its formation in 1935. It has overcome the many difficulties occasioned by the emergency, especially in the matter of raw materials. Some time ago it started the manufacture of glasses, tumblers and other glass ware and this side-line should be profitable for it is now next to impossible to procure glass ware other than that manufactured at home. The "B" shares which have received a dividend of 10 per cent. for some years past are around 43s. and look an attractive industrial holding.

TIGHTLY HELD

J. G. Mooney and Co., Ltd., have given notice that all outstanding Debenture stock will be redeemed on June 30th next at £110 per £100 stock. This concern has a good financial record and the Ordinary shares for the past two years have received a dividend of 11 per cent. For the current year an unchanged interim payment of 5 per cent. has been made. The Ordinary shares are rather tightly held, but if they can be picked up at anywhere around the last price of 60s. they look worth attention. The redemption of the Debenture issue should be favourably reflected in the figures for the coming years.

POST-WAR SHARE

There is a hardening tendency in the price of Alliance Gas Ordinary shares which are now up to 21s. 7½d. The buying is small but persistent and the rather heavy selling noticeable in recent weeks has dried up for the time being at any rate. Some people still are hoping for an increase in the dividend, for they feel that trading conditions during the current half-year are up to almost pre-war days. This remains to be seen. One thing that is certain is that supplies of coal are far from sufficient, while the quality is much inferior to that used in the years prior to the emergency. Of course, this concern will be one of the first to recover when peace returns.

Another company which holds good post-war prospects is Pye (Ireland), Ltd. It has weathered the war years very successfully and supplies on hand are sufficient for some time ahead. With the return of more normal trading conditions it should do very well. A few shares are offered at 8s. 6d. and they should pay to lock away.

Future of British Cinema Industry

THE buying of Cinema shares would seem to indicate that the investors have confidence in the future of the industry. Past history suggests that investment in the shares of cinema companies is extremely speculative, requiring a return well above the average.

The industry is passing through a boom period. On the production side considerable advances have been made in technique, and British pictures are at last comparable with the best in the world. Its war pictures have received world-wide recognition, largely because full co-operation has been received from the Services. With the conclusion of peace that co-operation will be less in evidence and the organisation and personnel of the industry will have to stand on its own feet.

AFTER THE WAR

It may be that the cinema habit will last, but it should not be overlooked that when peace returns many forms of relaxation, now unobtainable, will once more become available, and many means of spending surplus cash will renew their attractions. There are, indeed, many factors which must be taken into consideration in any endeavour to forecast the future of this somewhat volatile industry.

Meanwhile it is important to recognise that much has been done in the past two or three years to reorganise the finances of the industry. The large combination, of which Mr. J. A. Rank is now chairman, has been overhauled from top to bottom, while other groups have been the subject of important changes. It can certainly be said that the whole industry is in a stronger position and more ready to meet whatever problems may face it than ever before.

The shares of the leading companies offer low yields at present prices, as will be seen in the following table:—

	Price.	Last Div. Per cent.	Yield.
A. B. Pics. (5/-)	16 9	17½	4 15 11
Ass. Prov. (£1)	24 9	7	5 13 2
Gau. Brit. (10/-)	— 0	6	3 9 5
Odeon (5/-)	29 6	15	2 5 9
Stoll (£1)	13 6	2½	Interim

These five companies represent nearly £29,000,000 in capital and debentures, as well as several millions more in prior charges on subsidiary companies.

"JOHNNIES"

Recovery in the £1 shares of Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Co. again calls attention to what should prove to be a profitable investment. Before the war the company was paying regular dividends of 20 p.c., which was reduced in the three years 1940-'42 to 10 p.c. This was increased last year to 15 p.c., and the shares now give the straight yield of 5 p.c. As we have previously pointed out, the shares of a company such as this are the safest form of investment in gold mining concerns. Its investments are spread over a wide range of mining companies, and its opportunities for profits from the development of new companies are very considerable.

RALEIGH CYCLES

Since the report and accounts of the Raleigh Cycle Holdings Co. were issued, a few weeks ago, there has been a steady appreciation in the shares. At the present price of 7/6 they offer a yield on the 20 p.c. distribution for the year to November 30th of just over 5¼ p.c. The company which operates through the Raleigh Cycle Co. holds a leading position in the cycle world, while its dividend record is very satisfactory, rising as high in 1940 as 25 p.c. Its financial position is strong, and its post-war prospects should be satisfactory.

Birmingham Motors

Friday's closing prices—Albion Drop Forgings, 9/6; Albion Motor, 54/6; Alvis, 5/10½; Austin Ord., 26/-; do. "A" Ord., 26/4½; Birmid Industries, 75/6; B.S.A., 22/9; Bluemel, 39/6; Bretts Stamping, 60/6; British Piston, 22/4½; Brockhouse, 66/-; Clifford Components, 8/9; Cornercroft, 9/7½; Crossley, 7/9; Dennis, 25/-; Deritend Stamping, 21/9; Dunlop, 40/-; Enfield Cycle, 25/6; Fisher and L., 32/-; Elswick, 9/3; Ford, 33/6; Guy, 2/7½; Halford Cycle, 61/9; Harper, 62/6; Heenan and F., 11/-; Hughes Johnson, 85/6; Humber Prefd., 21/-; Leyland, 74/-; Morris, 40/9; Moss Gear, 16/-; Mulliners Holdings, 2/3; Perfecta Equipments, 11/3; Perry, 38/-; Pressed Steel, 25/10½; Raleigh, 75/- x.d.; Renold and Coventry Chain, 43/3; Rolls Royce, 105/-; Rovers, 28/6; S.S. Cars, 11/9; Serck Radiators, 98/6; Singer, 5/9; Smith (S.) and Sons Defd., 8/9; Smiths Stamping, 37/-; Standard, 26/7½; Sun Cycle, 8/6; Tilling, 54/9; Triplex, 37/4½; Tube Investments, 90/9; Villiers, 35/9. AIRCRAFT —Boulton Paul, 2/10½; Bristol, 15/6; Fairey, 16/6; Hawker Siddeley, 17/4½ x.d.; Hobson Components, 11/- x.d.; Parnall, 4/1½.

FOOD MARKETS

CARLISLE.—Owing to the holidays there were only about 70 Irish cattle, all "free." Cattle trade was quiet at no alteration in prices. Wintering bullocks, £23 to £33; feeding bullocks, £32 to £36; wintering heifers, £22 to £27; feeding heifers, £28 to £28 10/-.

DONCASTER.—Small market, few buyers. Pig market unsettled; suckers to 30/-, larger stores 60/-, strong pigs to £10, in-piggers £13. Quiet trade for cattle; milkers to £68, calving heifers to £48, three-year-old bullocks to £40, two-year-olds to £28, yearlings £12 to £14.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—York cabbage, large 20/- to 30/- small 10/- to 16/-; Savoy, large 15/- to 40/-, small 10/- to 16/- load; Swede turnips 2/9 to 3/6, mangolds 2/6, onions 10/- to 34/- per cwt.; parsnips 5/- to 7/-, spinach 1/6 to 2/-, carrots 6/- to 10/- per bag; turnips 6d. to 10d bunch, and mushrooms 2/- per lb.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Kerr's Pinks, Dates, and Spry's Abundance, 10/-; and Banners, 9/- per cwt. ex store.

DUBLIN FISH.—Lobsters, 40/- to 53/- per 13; soles 2/- to 5/9, turbot 2/- to 2/8, brill 2/- to 2/9 per lb.; plaice, 126/-; cod, 63/- to 85/-; ray, 39/- to 55/-; whiting, 40/- to 85/-; and seed, 30/- per box

GRIMSBY FISH.—Jumbo, gibber, medium and chat haddocks, large and medium sprags, codling, whiting, cod (all with heads on), 6/5; lemon soles, plaice, 15/6; roker, 6/5; turbot, brill, soles, and slips 21/6; and smoked fillets, 16/6 per stone.

MANCHESTER MARKETS

The Manchester Provision Market has been slow to pick up after the Christmas break, but there has been a well-sustained demand for all descriptions of meats, fats and dairy products.

There is little interest in game and dead poultry. A few 100lb. boxes of poultry are expected from Northern Ireland—the first since the beginning of Christmas week—and it is possible that a limited number of turkeys will be included. Trade in other departments was slow, on short supplies. Pheasants, cock quoted 7/6, hen 6/9 each; grouse 9/6, partridge 8/6 brace; turkeys 2/9; fowls, chickens, ducks, geese 1/9 lb.; odd lots of hares, brown 7/6, others 4/- to 4/6 each; rabbits 11½d. per lb. wholesale (official prices).

FAMOUS AUSTRALIAN CRICKETER DEAD

Mr. Charles Thomas Biass Turner, who—it was reported from Australia on Saturday—has died in Sydney, aged 81, was one of the greatest cricketers of all times. He was the only player who ever obtained as many as 100 wickets in Australia during one season; for in 1887-88 he took 106 for 13.59 runs each. A medium-fast bowler, he could break each way, and, even if he had not made his name as a bowler, his ability as a forcing batsman would have brought him fame.

Mr. Turner visited England in 1888, 1890 and 1893. Altogether in 17 Test matches for Australia against England he took 101 wickets for 16.53 runs each, and in all first-class cricket 1,061 for 13 apiece. His highest innings were 103 v. Surrey at the Oval in 1888 and 102 for the Australian team v. Rest of Australia at Sydney a few months later.

In 1888—a very wet year in England—he became known as "The Terror," and his fellow-bowler, Mr. J. J. Ferris, was called "The Fiend." In that season Turner took 314 wickets and Ferris 220, and they created almost a panic among English batsmen.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

To-day—Queen's County, Cullohill, 12 noon; Kilkenny, Barneyglissawney, 11.30 a.m.; Galway Blazers, Crumlin, 12 noon; Wicklow, Killowen Cross-roads, 12 noon; Fingal, Fieldstown Bridge, 1.0 p.m.; South Westmeath, Walderstown, 12 noon; Co. Limerick, Croom, 12 noon; West Waterford, Rockfield, 12 noon; Meath, Kilbride, 11.30 a.m.; Westmeath, Multyfarnham, 11.45 a.m.; Killultagh, Old Rock and Chichester, Bellbrook, 12 noon; North Kildare, Balrabeen, 12 noon; Island, Clogh, 12 noon.

To-morrow—South Mayo, Straide, 12 noon; Ballymacad, Crossdrum, 12 noon; Ormond, Prospect, 12 noon; Waterford, Clonea, 11.30 a.m.; United Hunt Club, Whitechurch, 11.30 a.m.; Kildare, Burtown Cross-roads, 11.30 a.m.; Co. Longford Bawn Cross-roads, 1.0 p.m.; Newry, Killysavan, 12.30 p.m.; Scarteen, Derk Gate, 12 noon; Ward Union, Culmullen, 1.30 p.m.; Wexford, Blackhall, 12 noon; Littlegrange, Duleek 12 noon.

CROWN MINES STRIKE

The men at the Crown Mines, No 15 shaft, went on strike early on Saturday morning. Strikers also prevented the majority of the natives going underground. The strike is connected with the present wage increase negotiations. While union leaders will probably try to keep the strike from spreading, it is anticipated that more Crown Mines shafts will join the strikers.

Unemployed Teachers' Panel

The possibility of compiling a panel of unemployed teachers, on the lines of that operating in the Irish National Teachers' Organisation, was discussed at a meeting of the Central Executive Council of the Association of Secondary Teachers, which met at their offices in Dublin on December 29th, Mr. C. J. Dillon, President, in the chair.

Among the items on the agenda were (1) arrangements concerning the joint deputation of bodies representing secondary education; (2) reports of recent deputations; (3) an insurance scheme in draft form and (4) the unemployed panel.

IRISH WILLS

Rev. Robert William Jameson, of St. Mark's Vicarage, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, son of the Rev. William Jameson, of Dublin—£3[illegible]87 (Britain); Mr. Howard Lecky Sikes, C.B.E., M.I.C.E., of 33 Conisboro avenue, Caversham, Reading, Berkshire, son of the late Richard Cherry Sikes, of 2 Park View, Cork—£7,642 (Britain); Mr. Cecil Augustus Seymour Browne, of 99 Honor Oak Park, London—£8,438 (Britain); Mrs. Alice Elizabeth Gibson, of 94 Dundela street, Belfast —£119 (Britain).

Mr. John Joseph McMahon, of the Hotel, Scariff, County Clare, £1,354 (Britain).

Mr. William Hill of 29 Castlehill road, Belfast, £775 (Britain).

Mr. Henry Vincent Linehan, of 45 Frankfort avenue, Rathgar, Dublin, £3,245 (Britain).

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Record Year for Property Sales in Eire

THE property market in Eire, already experiencing something of a boom in 1942, had a record year in 1943, when values for land, ground rents, dwelling-houses and business premises reached the highest levels attained for many years.

Mr. Raymond Judd, of Battersby and Co., summing up the position, said that the property market may have been less affected by war conditions than other spheres of commercial activity. There had, however, been a marked scarcity of good houses for sale, and many people were endeavouring to avoid the inconvenience of a change of residence during the emergency, all of which resulted in a reduced volume of business. While not holding a pessimistic view, he thought it was not a time for undue optimism, though the past year could be regarded as a quite satisfactory trading period.

More landed properties were sold than for many years, with prices steady, though not as high as the 1914-18 standard. There was a considerable demand for nice residential holdings of from 50 to 200 acres, particularly in Leinster, while nearness to Dublin and convenience of transport affected prices. Such holdings sold at up to £70 per acre, but the general market value was around £30, with plenty of land in more remote counties at £20 per acre. Houses selling at about £1,500 a year ago readily fetched more than £2,000, and there was a marked scarcity of such property. Unprecedented prices were realised for choice investment property. It was encouraging, said Mr. Judd, that, although building had ceased for a long time past, there had been a renewal of inquiries for building land recently, but apparently immediate development was not contemplated.

HIGH PRICES

A record sales year is reported by Mr. MacKeogh, of Adhouse, who says that the big advance in prices paid is not so remarkable when the decreasing value of the pound is considered, an investment of £2,000 now being much the same as one of £1,200 before the emergency. He expects a further advance in the coming year. Suburban house property increased considerably in price, particularly in areas served by trams or near railway stations, and generally landlords have been content with pre-war rents. Double the prices were paid in some cases for licensed premises, but the peak seems to have been reached, says Mr. MacKeogh. His firm sold a large number of houses let to tenants, most of which returned 6 to 7 per cent., but this form of investment is becoming scarcer. Ground rents maintained high prices and were much sought for, but land prices eased somewhat.

"A truly remarkable year's progress" is reported by Messrs. Jackson Stops and McCabe, who had a record number of sales in 1943. Their auction sales were particularly successful, a recent one of ground rents in Henry street, Dublin, realising £27,960, and another, in September last, £17,283. One of many sales of machinery plant, etc., brought £25,000. With land selling well, the firm found that farms near Dublin were most sought, but that towards the end of the year there was a slacking off in sales. The demand for suburban houses exceeded the supply, and values showed substantial increases. Owners, tempted by high offers, sold, and then, in some cases, found that they had to pay an exorbitant price for a new place. Antique and fine art sales, of which the firm conducted many, were more interesting during the past year, with attendances greater than ever. The firm moved to new premises in College Green near the end of the year, and have there established their auction galleries for regular fine art, antique and jewellery auctions.

CITY SHOPS

Messrs. Corrigan and Co. disposed of many prominent shops in Dublin. In some cases these properties were relinquished by their former cross-Channel owners, and were eagerly taken up by local traders. Prices were regulated by the scarcity of property, especially private residences. Factory premises were eagerly sought towards the end of the year, and a number of important sales and lettings were completed. The firm also was able to provide a constant source of investment in ground rents.

Messrs. Terence Dunlop and Co. state that they "had their full share of the business done in the property market during the past year." Investment property sales took first place, and the firm disposed of fee-simple ground rents totalling £17,000 in value. In some cases the demand for houses subject to tenancies was so great that they sold at figures that showed very small return on capital. The firm found that the most remarkable feature of the year was the demand for business premises, and some were disposed of which had been on offer for a considerable time previously.

MONEY CHEAP

A sharp advance in property prices within the last few months of 1943 was noted by Mr. Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder," and he says that the most plentiful and cheapest commodity in the market to-day is money. Banks are treating buyers very generously, and building societies are advertising money for lending on very reasonable terms. The demand for all classes of residential and investment property greatly exceeds the supply at present. Restriction of transport has caused an influx of people to the city and its immediate precincts, and within three miles of the Pillar there is a shortage of houses, irrespective of cost. Auction sales showed 87 per cent. success, and, in most cases, unsold properties were afterwards disposed of at the reserve figures. The firm's sales of investment properties have been exceptionally high, while ground rents were eagerly sought. Mr. MacArthur sold several large land holdings at advantageous figures, and detached suburban residences brought prices far greater than those of a few years ago. The dearth of vacant shops in the principal Dublin thoroughfares is a happy sign, Mr. MacArthur says, and he expects no falling-off in business in 1944.

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Young Tenor's Irish Tour.—Mr. Christopher Lynch, the young Irish tenor, starts his Irish tour at the Abbey Cinema, Drogheda, on Wednesday.

Unemployment Figures.—There were 3,817 persons more than in the previous week registered at the Employment Exchanges on December 25. The number was 73,686. The number at the corresponding period last year was 83,963.

Jail for Travel Permit Offence.—In Dublin on Saturday District Justice Lennon sentenced James Walsh (35), a married labourer, of New street, Dublin, to fourteen days' imprisonment on a charge of having furnished false information to the police for the purpose of obtaining a travel permit.

Rural Workers Register.—The special register of agricultural and turf workers is to continue in operation. Members who are unemployed are paid 5/- per week, in addition to unemployment assistance or unemployment benefit. Also they are exempt from the operation of employment period orders, and are given preference for certain employment in rural areas.

Man Tells How He Was Dragged By Car

HAVING been dragged about two miles by an unknown motor car on Christmas Eve, Mr. Maurice Healy is recovering at Baggot Street Hospital, Dublin, where the staff have dubbed him "the miracle man." When brought to the hospital, he was almost a hopeless case, with injuries all over him, but yesterday an *Irish Times* representative found him sitting up in bed, reading a paper and smoking a cigarette.

He has had ten stitches in his head and is still in some pain from his body wounds. Otherwise he has not the appearance of a man whose case was despaired of a week ago.

Mr. Healy showed the reporter his hands, which had been badly cut and bruised, and said that his side had been severely cut and torn by dragging on the road.

FOR MILES

"On Christmas Eve," he said, "I had pulled up my pony and cart by the curb on my own side at Ranelagh, near where the No. 18 'bus turns round. I was making for a butcher's shop. The next thing I knew was that I was being dragged along by a car. How I got there I can't tell.

"I held on, and, when I seemed to have been dragged for miles, I got disentangled near or at Nutley lane, on the Stillorgan road. I picked myself up, dazed, covered with blood, and my clothes in rags. People came to my assistance, and I was brought to the hospital. The tail light of the car had been put out when I was being dragged, so the driver must have known there was something wrong."

Mr. Healy makes his living by selling vegetables from door to door in a pony cart. He has given several interviews to the police, who are still trying to trace the car.

Tobacco Leaf Supplies Restricted

CHRISTMAS visitors to Dublin suffered some unpleasant surprises. Hearing that their favourite brands of cigarettes and pipe fuel were considerably cheaper in Dublin than in Belfast or across the Channel, many arrived with empty pouches or cases, only to discover that supplies were virtually unobtainable.

During the Christmas holidays, and even more acutely during the last week, Dubliners found it impossible to secure the diminished rations of recent months. Traders who had managed to secure extra supplies to meet previous Christmas demands found themselves compelled to tell their favourite customers that supplies had been diminished instead of being increased during the present Christmas season, and that further "cuts" soon might be expected.

RESTRICTIONS

Enquiries made in well-informed quarters confirmed these fears of further restricted supplies in the immediate future. It appears that certain leading firms of manufacturers already have made serious inroads on stocks of raw materials which were originally intended for use during the present year. Owing to different causes the replacement of these reserve stocks has proved to be entirely more difficult than had been anticipated. Increased demands from members of international fighting forces, and from men and women employed in British and American war industries, have been so great as not only to threaten the disappearance of reserve stocks, but to call for drastic curtailments of demands which now are being made on growers of tobacco crops in America and elsewhere.

NO SUBSTITUTES

Unlike wheat as a principal ingredient of bread supplies, there are no substitutes by which outputs of raw tobacco can be replaced or reinforced. Nor is there any prospect that normal outputs of "leaf" can be increased to meet present and prospective abnormal demands. Apart, therefore, from shipping difficulties, which may interrupt supplies of raw tobacco to this country, smokers must be prepared to face the inevitable consequences of a serious world shortage of irreplaceable raw materials.

Foot-and-Mouth Disease

The Department of Agriculture have been officially informed by the British Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries that an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease has been confirmed at Tarrant, Launceston, Dorset.

The Sailors' Rest

During the Christmas week-end, and on New Year's Day, a large number of sailors were welcomed at the Sailors' Rest, North Wall. On Christmas Day, following a Carol Service, a company of over sixty dined, and gifts were distributed to seamen of several nationalities. They were then entertained with an excellent concert, and this was followed by supper. The Port Missionary, Mr. J. Bowie, is very grateful to the firms who contributed so generously, and to the numerous friends who kindly sent gifts and comforts. On St. Stephen's Day there was a religious Service and tea, and on Monday, after another concert, about eighty seamen had supper. On New Year's Day the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Sailors' Rest (President, Mrs. Bole) provided the entertainment and a high tea.

THIS WEEK'S AUCTIONS OF FURNITURE & FINE ARTS

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Friday.—10 Leinster road, West, Rathmines (James Adam and Sons).

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10, Matins. 4, Evensong.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—10.45, Matins. 3, Evensong.

ST. ANN'S, Dawson St.—10, Matins.

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OLYMPIA NIGHTL[Y] 7.45 MATINEE SATURDAY NEXT A[T] THE GREAT BENY[ON] INTRODUCES, IN HIS "YULETIDE EXPR[ESS]" His Super-Sensation, "THE CHINESE DECAPITA[TION]" Unbelievable unless seen. Wh[en] still unbelievable. Book Early to avoid Disappoin[tment] Children Half Price to Stalls an[d] Matinees only. Box Office open Daily. 'Phone

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GATE THEATR[E] EDWARDS—MacLIAMMOI[R] "MASQUERADE." ANOTHER CHRISTMAS PA[NTOMIME] Nightly at 7.45 Matinee, Saturday 2.30 BOOKING 10.30 a.m.—7 p.

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THEATRE DE LU[XE] TYRONE POWER in "CRASH DIVE." 3.55, 6.20, 8.48. On and after Sunday next, [Jan.] 9th, programmes will be chang[ed] Sunday, Monday and Thursday.

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ROYAL IRISH ACAD[EMY] OF MUSIC, WESTLAND ROW, DUBLIN. THE ACADEMY WI[LL] RE-OPEN ON FRIDA[Y] NEXT, 7th JAN. PUPILS ENTERING NOW W[ILL] BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE [FOR] THE MANY SCHOLARSHIPS [AND] EXHIBITIONS OFFERED COMPETITION AT THE ANNU[AL] EXAMINATIONS IN DECEMBE[R] PIANOFORTE. 7 Scholarships, 6 Exhibitions. VIOLIN. 3 Scholarships, 3 Exhibitions. VIOLONCELLO. 3 Scholarships, 3 Exhibitions. ORGAN. 3 Scholarships, 1 Exhibition. SINGING. 2 Scholarships, 2 Exhibitions. HARMONY. 3 Scholarships, 1 Exhibition. THE MOST EFFICIENT MET[HOD] OF INSTRUCTION. Particulars as to Fees, and EVE[NING] and other Classes, can be obtained [from the] Academy. By Order of the Governors, SEALY JEFFARES, Secret[ary] 3rd January, 1944.

THE GRAFTON ACADEMY DRESSMAKING (Established 1938), 6 ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN, DU[BLIN] 'Phone 21854. Professional Training to trade re[quire]ments in Dress Designing, P[attern] Drafting (all sizes), Grading, making (Retail) and Fashion Amateur Section. Home Dressmaking easy. Children's Wear, Remodelling Director (Grafton Academy, Lt[d.]) Mrs. PAULINE CLOTWORTHY M.B.I.D.D. (London). [Prin]cipal: Miss ELSIE PRIGG M.B.I.D.D. (London). Interviews Daily. Free Booklet and Advice.

CATHOLIC COMMERC[IAL] CLUB. ANNUAL DANCE In the O'CONNELL HALL, FRIDAY NEXT, JAN 7 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. MUSIC BY TOMMY LYNCH A[ND] HIS BAND. Admission (including Tax and Supper) Admission by Ticket only—limit[ed] 'Phone No. 753271.

ROYAL DUBLI[N] SOCIETY CHRISTMAS LECTURE[S] TO-DAY, 4 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. J. E. BARTON. THURSDAY, 4 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. LT.-COL. BADCOCK.

ST. JOHN AMBULAN[CE] ASSOCIATION. HOME NURSING CLAS[S] A Home Nursing Class will start [for] Women at ST. PATRICK'S HA[LL] LOWER MERRION STREET, on JANUARY, at 7.30 p.m. Fee for Co[urse] and Examination, 5/-.

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITO[RS] In the Goods of FRIEDRICH WECKLER, late of S[anta] Maria, Vico road, Killiney, in [the] County of Dublin, Chief Accoun[tant] Electricity Supply Board, Decease[d]. NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Statute 22 and 23 Victoria, Chapter [35] that all persons having any claims ag[ainst] the Estate of the above Deceased, [who] died on the 13th day of October, 19[43] are hereby required on or before [the] 31st day of January, 1944, to fur[nish] particulars in writing of such claims [and] demands to the undersigned Solicitors [for] the Executors, The Munster and Lein[ster] Bank Limited, to whom Probate of [the] Will and Codicil was granted forth [out of] the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Eire, on the [...] day of December, 1943. AND NOTICE is hereby further g[iven] that after the said 31st day of Janu[ary] 1944, the Executors will proceed [to] distribute the assets of the said Decea[sed] having regard only to the claims of w[hich] notice shall be given as aforesaid. Dated this 30th day of Decem[ber] 1943. ARTHUR COX & CO., Solici[tors] for the Munster and Lein[ster] Bank, Limited, the Execu[tors] 42/43 St. Stephen's Gr[een] Dublin.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE TO CREDITO[RS] LIEUTENANT-COLONEL CHAR[LES] ROLLESTON WOODS, late of Wil[...] terrace, Birr. All persons having claims against [the] estate of the above Deceased, who died [on] the 17th December, 1943, should se[nd] particulars of such claims to the und[er]mentioned Solicitors. Dated this 29th day of Decemb[er] 1943. ADAM MITCHELL and SO[N] Solicitors, Walcot, Birr.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS

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7.45 — ONCE NIGHTLY — 7.45.
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Jimmy O'Dea in
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"MASQUERADE."
ANOTHER CHRISTMAS PARTY.
Nightly at 7.45
Matinee, Saturday 2.30.
BOOKING 10.30 a.m.—7 p.m.

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P. P. MAGUIRE presents
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Booking at Theatre: 753061.

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WORLD PREMIERE.
CHARLOTTE BRONTE'S ROMANCE.
"JANE EYRE."
JOAN FONTAINE. IN ...UTTON. ORSON WELLES. SARA ALLGOOD.

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PUPILS ENTERING NOW WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE FOR THE MANY SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS OFFERED FOR COMPETITION AT THE ANNUAL EXAMINATIONS IN DECEMBER.
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Particulars as to Fees, and EVENING and other Classes, can be obtained at the Academy.
By Order of the Governors,
SEALY JEFFARES, Secretary.
3rd January, 1944.

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ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.
HOME NURSING CLASS.
A Home Nursing Class will start for Women at ST. PATRICK'S HALL, LOWER MERRION STREET, on 7th JANUARY, at 7.30 p.m. Fee for Course and Examination, 5/-.

ROYAL Doors Open Daily at 2.40. Show Commences 3 p.m.
12 Scenes! 100 Performers!
140 Joyous Minutes of Entertainment!
"PUSS IN BOOTS."
"The best show in town."—("Irish Times.")
"The eye is dazzled."—("Evening Mail.")
"Sets a headline."—("Irish Press.")
NOAH BEERY, JR., in "CALABOOSE."
Film at 3.10, 6.35, 10 o'c.
Show at 4.10, 7.35.
THIRD RECORD WEEK.

REGAL ROOMS At 2.36, 4.45, CINEMA. 6.54, 9.3.
The exciting Colour Musical.
BING CROSBY, DOROTHY LAMOUR, in
"DIXIE."

SAVOY At 2.25, 4.41, 6.57, 9.13.
SONJA HENIE.
CESAR ROMERO. CAROLE LANDIS. JACK OAKIE.
"WINTERTIME."

CAPITOL DAILY, 2.30 TO 10.45.
RETAINED.
EUROPEAN PREMIERE
of the Stupendous Musical Drama,
PHANTOM OF THE OPERA
In Glorious Technicolour, with
NELSON EDDY. SUSANNA FOSTER. CLAUDE RAINS.
Showing at 3.45, 6.30, 9.15.
On the Stage:
The Artistic Musical Presentation,
"SNOWFLAKES,"
WITH ALL THE OLD FAVOURITES AND SOME NEW ONES.
At 2.30, 5.15, 8 o'c.

ASTOR CINEMA.
Week Commencing Dec. 31st, 1943.
To-day at 2.20, 4.30, 6.45, 9.5.
SIDNEY HOWARD in J. B. Priestley's
"WHEN WE ARE MARRIED."
The Hilarious Comedy of Three Married Couples—or are they??
EXTRA!!
Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo,
"THE GAY PARISIAN,"
Featuring Leonide Massine, Mladova and Krassorvska.

CARLTON—At 2.20, 4.25, 6.50, 9.5
4th RECORD-BREAKING WEEK!!
ABBOTT and COSTELLO in "HIT THE ICE."
Funnier than any Pantomime!

GRAFTON Continuous 2 to 10.30. At 3.35, 6.20, 9.5.
Luise Rainer, Paulette Goddard, in
"DRAMATIC SCHOOL."
Added Attraction at 2.15, 5, 7.45.
Will Hay, Claude Hulbert,
"MY LEARNED FRIEND."

ADELPHI Showing at 2.19, 4.32, 6.45 & 8.58.
ANOTHER RECORD BREAKER.
ERROL FLYNN: ALEXIS SMITH, in
"GENTLEMAN JIM."

PAVILION DUN LAOGHAIRE. Con. 3.0 to 10.30
Jack Benny, Priscilla Lane in
"THE MEANEST MAN IN THE WORLD."
Also—"HE HIRED THE BOSS."

REGENT CINEMA, BLACKROCK.
Gloria Jean, Ian Hunter in "A DATE WITH AN ANGEL." Also Robert Stack, Jane Darwell, Leo Carrillo in "MEN OF DESTINY."

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

AN ROINN TALMHAIDHEACHTA.
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE (EGGS) ACT 1939.
The Minister for Agriculture has appointed the Number **19** as the CODE MARK to be applied to Eggs tested at Wholesalers' Premises or examined at Retailer's premises during the period from 3rd January to 8th January, 1944 (both dates inclusive).
D. TWOMEY, Secretary.
C9039. W.H.Co.

An Roinn Oideachais.
Oideachas Náisiúnta.
Scrúdúchán do daoine gur mian leo beit in a múinteóirí i scoileannaib náisiúnta.
Tá an Roinn Oideachais dá fógairt go mbeidh scrúdúcháin mar leanas ann 1944, com maith leis an scrúdúchán bliadan tamailt le h-agaid cáilídeachta mar Oide Congnanta Sealadach Neamh-Oilte (Daill 'o'Orduid Riagalta agus Dan-Cainnteoirí Dúctair).
I. Scrúdúchán iontrála na gColáistí Ullmhúcháin — buachaillí agus cailíní:
1 Seachtmain na Cásca, 1944. Clár an tSeachtmad Ranga i Scoileannaib Náisiúnta. Teorannta aoise: 13-15 bliadna ar an céad lá de Lúghnasa, 1944.
Tá Fuirmeacha iarratair le fagáil ó Oifig an Oideachais Náisiúnta, agus ní mór iad beit ar ais san Oifig, lionta go cuibe, tráth nach déideanaige ná 1ad Feabra, 1944.
II. Scrúdúchán comórtais poiblide le h-agaid dul isteach ins na Coláistí Oileamhna:
Líon beag áiteacha do Cailíní Caitliceacha. Béid réim-triallacha ann fá Cáisc, agus triallacha Scrúdúchán na hArd-Teistiméireachta, mí Meitim. (Taobh amuigh de roinnt beag áiteacha do feárraib Preparáideacha i gColáiste Oileamhna Eaglais na hÉireann, ní béid aon áiteacha le líonad tré chomórtas poiblide in uile na Coláistí Oileamhna do fearaib). Teorannta aoise: 17-21 bliadna ar an céad lá de Lúghnasa, 1944.
Leigfear roinnt Céimidhe iolrcoile (mná amháin) fá'n Scrúdúchán le h-agaid dul isteach ins na Coláistí Oileamhna Caitliceacha féirin. Ní mór do Céimidhe gan beit níos mó ná 28 mbliadna d'aois ar an céad lá de Lúghnasa, 1944.
Is féidir Fuirmeacha iarratair d'fagáil ó na Coláistí Oileamhna, agus ní mór iad a beit ar ais ins na Coláistí, lionta go cuibe, tráth nach déideannaige ná 1ad Feabra, 1944.
III. Scrúdúchán comórtais poiblide le h-agaid cáilídeacht mar fo-máighistreas (cailíní protastúnacha amháin).
Ar clár Scrúdúchán iontrála na gColáistí Oileamhna a déanfar an scrúdúchán seo. Teorannta aoise: 17-21 bliadna ar an céad lá de Lúghnasa, 1944.
Tá Fuirmeacha iarratair le fagáil ó Oifig an Oideachais Náisiúnta, agus ní mór iad beit ar ais san Oifig, lionta go cuibe, tráth nach déideannaige ná 1ad Feabra, 1944.
Seosamh Ó Néill, Rúnaidhe.
Oifig an Oideachais Náisiúnta, Sráid Maoilbrighde, Baile Átha Cliath.
Eanair, 1944.
C9039. W.H.Co.

NATIONAL HEALTH AND PENSIONS INSURANCE.
WARNING TO EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES.
Employers are reminded of the necessity for completing the stamping of National Health and Pensions Insurance Contribution Cards for the second half of 1943. The stamped cards must be returned to employees not later than 8th January, 1944, except where special arrangements exist for surrender of cards in bulk to the National Health Insurance Society. Failure to stamp or return cards within the prescribed time is an offence punishable on summary conviction, and any employer who so fails will be prosecuted.
The amount of any Health Insurance benefit or Widow's or Orphan's pension lost by an employee, or by a dependent of an employee, through failure to stamp at the proper time is recoverable from the employer.
Members of the National Health Insurance Society are required to surrender their stamped cards to the Society before 16th January, 1944.
Department of Local Government and Public Health (National Health and Pensions Insurance), Dublin.
C9028. W.H.Co.

EMERGENCY POWERS (No. 243) ORDER, 1942.
SPECIAL REGISTER OF AGRICULTURAL AND TURF WORKERS.
The Minister for Industry and Commerce desires to inform members of the Special Register of Agricultural and Turf Workers and persons desiring of becoming members that the Special Register of Agricultural and Turf Workers will continue to operate, and that payments at the rate of 5/- per week will continue to be made to members who are unemployed and otherwise qualified. These payments are additional to any payments of Unemployment Assistance or Unemployment Benefit to which members may be entitled.
Persons who are members of the Special Register will, on the expiration of the period of twelve months for which they are enrolled, be invited by the Local Officer of the Department of Industry and Commerce to make application to be enrolled again.
Persons who are not members of the Special Register, but who desire to apply for membership, should notify the nearest or most convenient Local Office of the Department of Industry and Commerce.
Department of Industry and Commerce.
1st January, 1944.
C9039. W.H.Co.

STEWART'S HOSPITAL
(STEWART INSTITUTION),
PALMERSTOWN, CO. DUBLIN.
Estd. 1869.
This Charitable and Non-Sectarian Hospital admits by Election, when funds permit, Mentally Defective Boys and Girls, who are suitably guaranteed and between the ages of 6 and 16 years. These patients are maintained by the public.
Paying cases are also admitted from a minimum fee of £70 per year. The age of admission is at the discretion of the Committee of Management.
For particulars apply to:
THE SECRETARY.
'Phone—Dublin 71427.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

COMHAIRLE CATHRACH ATHA CLIATH, EIRE.
DUBLIN CORPORATION, IRELAND.
The Dublin Corporation invite competitive designs for a new Tuberculosis Sanatorium to accommodate 320 patients, to be erected at Ballyowen, Lucan, County Dublin.
The competition is open to all qualified Architects who are members of:
The Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland.
The Royal Institute of British Architects.
The Architects' Institute of Architects.
Registered Architects in any of the above countries, or are
Members of a similar body or society elsewhere.
The Assessors are: Messrs. Harry Allberry, A.R.I.B.A. (Chairman); Vincent Kelly, B.Arch., President, R.I.A.I.; F.R.I.B.A.; John Murray Easton, F.R.I.B.A.; Ralph Byrne, F.R.I.A.I.; and Dr. A. J. Walsh, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Resident Medical Superintendent, Crooksling Sanatorium, Co. Dublin.
The premiums are: £500, £300, £200, £150.
Applications for the conditions should be made to "The City Manager and Town Clerk, Corporation of Dublin, Public Health Department, Municipal Buildings, Dublin," and should be received by him not later than the 13th March, 1944. A deposit of £3 3/-, made payable to the "City Treasurer, Dublin, Ireland," should accompany the application. Deposit will be returned on receipt of a bona fide design or on the return of the conditions.
P. J. HERNON,
City Manager and Town Clerk.

LURGAN AND PORTADOWN DISTRICT HOSPITAL.
ASSISTANT MATRON AND SISTER TUTOR WANTED.
Applications are invited for the post of ASSISTANT MATRON AND SISTER TUTOR in the above Hospital, which is graded under the Taylor Report as 200-299 Beds, and is a recognised Training School. Salary is at the rate of £200, rising by annual increments of £15 to £260, together with annual uniform allowance of £5 10s. 0d.
Candidates should be under 40 years of age, and must hold both the S.R.N. and S.C.M. Certificates, and have administrative experience. Preference will be given to those who hold a Sister Tutor's Certificate from an approved Training School. In the absence of such Certificate applicants must produce satisfactory evidence of experience in teaching and training Probationer Nurses for the Preliminary and Final State Nursing Examinations of Great Britain or Northern Ireland. Forty Probationers are at present in training, and there is a part-time Assistant Sister Tutor.
Applications, stating age, present position, and posts held since completion of training, should be accompanied by not more than three recent testimonials, and be in my hands not later than 12 o'clock noon on 20th JANUARY, 1944.
The Governors will consider defraying travelling expenses if candidates are called for interview.
J. E. BELL,
Clerk to Governors.
District Hospital, LURGAN.
31st December, 1943.

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
LUKE WALL and JOSEPH WALL, late of Nutstown, County Dublin, Farmers, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors of or to have any claims or demands against the estates of Luke Wall, who died 4th March, 1940, and Joseph Wall, who died 26th August, 1943, are requested to furnish (in writing) particulars of such claims on or before the 14th February, 1944, to the undersigned. Probates of their respective Wills were granted on the 29th September, 1943.
And Notice is further given that after the said 14th February, 1944, the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of said Deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to such claims of which they shall then have had notice.
Dated this 1st day of January, 1944.
JAMES FAGAN, Solicitor for the Executors, 58 Parnell Square, W. Dublin.

WILLIAM FANAGAN, late of Wainsfort, Kimmage, and 54 Aungier Street, Dublin, Deceased.
Will any person having any claim against the estate of the above Deceased please send particulars forthwith to the under-mentioned Solicitors for the Executors.
Dated this 1st day of January, 1944.
T. F. O'CONNELL ROONEY & CO., Solicitors, 34 Kildare Street, Dublin.

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
FRIEDRICH WECKLER, late of Santa Maria, Vico road, Killiney, in the County of Dublin, Chief Accountant, Electricity Supply Board, Deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Victoria, Chapter 35, that all persons having any claims against the Estate of the above Deceased, who died on the 13th day of October, 1943, are hereby required on or before the 31st day of January, 1944, to furnish particulars in writing of such claims and demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors, The Munster and Leinster Bank Limited, to whom Probate of the Will and Codicil was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Eire, on the 8th day of December, 1943.
AND NOTICE is hereby further given that after the said 31st day of January, 1944, the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall be given as aforesaid.
Dated this 30th day of December, 1943.
ARTHUR COX & CO., Solicitors for the Munster and Leinster Bank, Limited, the Executors, 42/43 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL CHARLES ROLLESTON WOODS, late of Wilmer terrace, Birr.
All persons having claims against the estate of the above Deceased, who died on the 17th December, 1943, should send particulars of such claims to the undermentioned Solicitors.
Dated this 29th day of December, 1943.
ADAM MITCHELL and SON, Solicitors, Walcot, Birr.

COMPANY NOTICES.

BANK OF IRELAND.
In order to prepare the Dividend payable on the 1st February, 1944, the balances of the several accounts in Bank Stock will be struck on the night of Friday, the 14th instant. Transfers will be made on or after the 15th instant, ex dividend.
By Order.
A. D. STEWART, Secretary.
1st January, 1944.

ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

1.0-1.40—Concert. 1.40-1.45—News and Stock Exchange. 1.45-2.30—Concert. 6.0—"Snow White and Rosy Red" by Eily MacAdam. 6.40—Stock Exchange, Sports Results. 6.45—News. 7.5—Dick McKee Pipe Band. 7.20—"Tráth le Ceol." 8.0—"Cursaí Capaill." Caint le Piaras Beaslai. 8.15—Radio Eireann Orchestra. 9.0—"An Treimhseachan Teann." 9.30—George Beggs (Baritone). 9.45—"Irish Music and Musicians." 10.0—News. 10.30—Schubert: The "Trout" Quintet.

B.B.C. PROGRAMMES

HOME SERVICE

203.5 m. (1474 kc/s), 391.1 m. (767 kc/s), 449.1 m. (668 kc/s), 48.54 m. (6.18 mc/s).

7.0—News. 7.15—"The Daily Dozen." 7.30—Berlioz. 7.55—"Lift Up Your Hearts!" 8.0—News. 8.15—The Fuel Front. 8.20—Morning Medley. 9.0—Leslie Jeffries and his Orchestra. 9.30—"Starlight." 9.45—Cyril Gell. 10.0—"Gallimaufry." 10.15—Service. 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.0—Kreisler and Rachmaninoff. 11.45—Reginald King. 12.15—Northern Orchestra. 1.0—News. 1.30—Voice and Organ. 2.0—Marches and Waltzes. 2.30—"Overtures." 3.0—Music While You Work. 3.30—"Sleeping Beauty." 4.0—"The Archaeologist in Wales." 4.15—Theatre Orchestra. 5.0—News in Welsh. 5.5—Talk in Welsh. 5.20—Children's Hour. 6.0—News. 6.30—"What's the Music About?" 7.0—Alan Paul, piano. 7.15—Eric Portman in "Broken Swords." 7.45—"What Use is Philosophy?" 8.0—"Monday Night at Eight." 9.0—News. 9.20—"Mr. Perrin and Mr. Traill." 10.10—Scottish Orchestra. 10.50—Monia Liter. 11.15—"Personal Choice." 11.20—Orchestra. 12.0—News.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

296.1 m. (1013 kc/s). 342.1 m. (877 kc/s).

6.30—"Reveille!" 7.0—News. 7.15—Gene Autry (recording). 7.30—Military Band. 8.0—News. 8.15—The Fuel Front. 8.20—"Morning Medley." 9.0—Leslie Jeffries and his Orchestra. 9.30—"Starlight." 9.45—Cyril Gell. 10.0—Variety Orchestra. 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.0—Kreisler and Rachmaninoff. 11.45—Reginald King, piano. 12.15—Piping and Fiddling. 12.30—Break for Music. 1.0—News. 1.15—"Salute to Rhythm." 2.0—Marches and Waltzes. 2.30—"Overtures." 3.0—Music While You Work. 3.30—"Sleeping Beauty." 4.0—Charles Smart, organ. 4.15—Theatre Orchestra. 5.0—"Taylor Maid." 5.5—"Ack-Ack, Beer-Beer." 5.55—"War Office Calling the Army." 6.0—News. 6.30—"Canadian Calendar." 7.0—News from Canada. 7.5—"Aircraftman Smith Entertains." 7.30—"Command Performance." 8.0—"Melody Mixture." 8.20—Jack Payne with his Orchestra. 9.0—News. 9.20—"Radio Reconnaissance." 9.40—"Handkerchief Half-Hour." 10.15—"What I'm Reading Now." 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.0—Close down.

RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT

The President received on Saturday the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, Mr. Sean MacEntee; the Belgian Minister, M. Maurice Goor; the Italian Minister, Signor Vincenzo Berardis; the American Minister, Mr. David Gray; the Lord Mayor of Dublin (Alderman M. O'Sullivan, T.D.), and Mr. Justice Conor Maguire, President of the High Court, and Chairman of the Central Council of the Irish Red Cross.

DENTAL AND OPTICAL BENEFITS AGAIN

Dental and optical benefits under the National Health Insurance Scheme, which have been suspended for some months past, are again available to members.

The suspension of these benefits, an *Irish Times* reporter learned yesterday, is purely a formal financial matter. When the sum of money made available at the beginning of the year for such benefits has been used, the benefits must be suspended until the beginning of the next year.

VISITORS TO LORD MAYOR OF DUBLIN

The United States Minister, Mr. David Gray; the Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. J. D. Kearney, and the Swedish Consul-General, M. Nils Leon Jaenson, called on the Lord Mayor of Dublin on New Year's Day.

The Irish Times

MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 1944.

Transport Tangles

Last week the people of Dublin and the twenty-six counties were acquainted with the Government's latest plans to solve the thorny problems of public service transport. By an interesting and suggestive coincidence, the people of Northern Ireland were informed, almost at the same moment, of the result of the latest official efforts to unscramble the egg of rail and road transportation. Having appointed a Government Committee to study general problems of post-war agriculture, the authorities at Stormont now are presented with a report which assigns a premier place to transport as a vital element in the organisation of farming activities. That fact in itself is interesting, inasmuch as it presents a significant contrast between the ways in which Ministers in Dublin and Belfast have chosen to approach the treatment of public transport. While the predominantly industrial six counties give pride of place to agricultural interests, Mr. de Valera and his colleagues yet have to reveal what steps, if any, have been taken to elicit the views of the agricultural community which is the bone and sinew of economic life in the twenty-six counties. Not, perhaps, without reason, Mr. Lemass, as chief sponsor of new transport programmes, and Dr. Ryan, as the reputed custodian of agricultural interests, may plead that the farming community has failed to take any intelligent interest in traffic problems, with the result that policies must be framed, and programmes enforced, without special reference to the needs of the communities which are most deeply interested in the development of "door-to-door" transport services. Nevertheless, there remains the strange fact that while the farmers of Northern Ireland insist on having their say in transport developments, those of the twenty-six counties seem content to accept the decrees of Ministers and managers whose experience and activities have been concerned mainly with the preservation and development of railway and urban transport undertakings. In view of the Government's apparent determination to force acceptance of the Lemass-Reynolds plan, it will be interesting to see what the members of the Farmers' Party will have to say when the new transport programme comes before the Dail.

While it would be interesting to review the many abortive efforts which Ministers on both sides of the border have made during the past fifteen years to grapple with transport problems, and to examine the sharply-contrasted proposals which now are under consideration, it becomes specially interesting to touch upon one element that presents equally intractable problems to transport reformers on both sides of the border. The G.N.R.—and, in a less degree, the Letterkenny and Lough Swilly Railway, with its extensive passenger and merchandise road services—remain outside the provisions alike of the Lemass-Reynolds plan and of the scheme outlined in the report of the Northern Ireland Committee. As a possible way out of the present tangle of rail and road interests, that committee proposes the amalgamation of all road and rail interests in the province, with two notable exceptions. One of these would leave municipal services in the hands of Belfast Corporation. The other would establish a series of "pools," to derive their revenues from the sections of the G.N.R. system which wind backwards and forwards across the frontier of Northern Ireland. To that suggestion the Great Northern Company is opposed, and advocates further experiments with the abortive "pooling" plan of 1935, under which Northern Irish taxpayers were called on to contribute upwards of £2,000,000 as transport subsidies—a contribution which, doubtless, will be recalled by critics of the plan soon to be submitted to the Dail and Senate. Not less relevant to present developments is the fact that in Northern Ireland, as in the twenty-six counties, the result of all efforts to dispossess private operators of road transport, as means by which to build up a traffic monopoly, either aroused a storm of effective protest or involved the payment of grossly excessive amounts for the acquisition of private rights. Despite all the efforts that may be made to circumvent such difficulties, they will remain to complicate and confuse Irish transport problems. Is there no alternative to the fantastic picture of railway systems as the unwelcome step-children of two Governments? Has Dublin nothing to learn from Belfast? Has anybody yet made any serious effort to visualise the essentially single and indivisible problem of Ireland's public service transport? Has Mr. Lemass found the opportunity to talk matters over with his opposite number at Stormont? If not—why not now?

Pantomime

It was William Makepeace Thackeray who spoke of the delight of lying in bed on the morning after St. Stephen's Day, and reading from top to bottom that page of *The Times* which was devoted to the notices of the pantomimes. No normal man, Thackeray admitted, could hope to visit all these productions in one season; but he might draw a vicarious pleasure from reading the critic's account, from perusing his remarks on the clowns and the stars, and from imbibing his enthusiasm over the transformation at Drury Lane or the low comedian at the Palace, Hoxton. The pantomime, like the circus, appears to hold a constant fascination; age cannot wither it, nor the dyspeptic aftermath of Christmas turn it sour. Thackeray was a good deal less given to sentimentality than many of his contemporaries, and certainly less than Dickens. Yet, upon the subject of pantomime, he is but as a little child. So it is with thousands of adult people even to-day, when high-speed variety has taken pantomime in tow, and Cinderella dances with her prince to the rhythm of the rumba. Perhaps some might take it as a proof of the decadence of Ireland as a nation that she has taken "this idiosyncratic English entertainment," as *The Times* calls it, to her heart; but few would be prickly enough, in their nationalism to shy away from the beloved fantasy of "Aladdin" or "The Babes in the Wood." Dublin, at any rate, is well supplied with pantomimes this season; and if they show a certain drift in the direction of sophisticated "wise-cracks" and long-legged chorus girls, they still preserve the gloriously immutable conventions of the pantomime stage. The themes, such as they are, are picked from the same small and curious eclectic store. The Principal Boy still is a girl, and the Dame, with equal certainty, is a hoarse, red-petticoated male. These are rules which must be observed; they give pantomime its distinctive glitter, its air of inconsequential make-believe. Riding on its magic carpet peopled by female Chinamen and male charladies, bi-valvular horses and eternal bailiffs' men, pantomime snatches new generations of children every year to its enchanted and enchanting abode; and every year the older children also return to the shrine, drawn back as irresistibly as Dick Whittington was drawn by the clamour of Bow Bells.

THE Marquess of Dufferin and Ava is in London.

The Hon. Herbrand Alexander has left Loughlinstown House, Co. Dublin.

Mr. Desmond Leslie returned to Glaslough, Co. Monaghan, last week.

Mrs. R. C. Prior Wandesforde has arrived in Ireland, and is staying at Castlecomer House.

On Wednesday, the 29th of December, the baptism took place of the infant daughter of The O'Phelan, Prince of the Decies, the officiating priest being The O'Conor Don, S.J. The child was named Kathleen Mary Camille A'Vila-y-Thérèse.

The marriage arranged between Stanley V. Perry, 8 Spencer Villas, Glenageary, and Violet W. D'Alton, 20 Crosthwaite Park (South), Dun Laoghaire, will take place on 22nd January.

The engagement is announced between Robert Richard (Roy), son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stokes, 83 Kenilworth square, Rathgar, and Aileen Ann (Peggy), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Pyper, Royal Bank, Duggan place, Rathmines.

Mr. Kevin Keenan has returned to Sandycove.

Mr. Norman A. Clarke has returned to 35 Harcourt street.

Elizabeth Arden's personal assistant is at Switzers, Grafton street, until 22nd January. Book your appointment now for a rejuvenating Salon Treatment. 'Phone 76821.

Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle Wear. — Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

A beautiful collection of Fur Coats with matching Millinery, Sable Ties, Dinner and Afternoon Frocks, Tweed Coats, etc., etc., at Miss Doran's Salons, Dawson st.

Hat Sale. About 200 Hats—oddments, including models, at less than half price. Here is an opportunity to select quickly, just the hat you have been looking for at an appealing price.—Kelletts, Ltd., George's street.

Richard Alan's annual Winter Sale commences this morning at 58 Grafton street. Very genuine reductions have been made in Coats, Costumes and Gowns, and this will be an excellent opportunity of securing a worth-while garment with a substantial saving in money.

Maison Phillippe, 53 Grafton street, wish all their patrons a very happy New Year, and take this opportunity to announce the arrival of a new selection of Wedding, Christening and Birthday Cake Decorations. See window display.

Femina, Ltd., wish all their clients a very happy and prosperous New Year, and announce the commencement, on this day (Monday), 3rd January, of a special Winter Sale—At 9 Wicklow street.

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Sharpley's, Specialists Baby Linen, Nursery Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau street, Dublin.

DUBLIN DRAMA CRITICS

"Ninety-five per cent. of the people of Dublin appeared to be dramatic critics," said Mr. Louis D'Alton, the playwright and actor, lecturing to the New Theatre Group (Playgoers' Circle) on "What are we to do with the audience?" in Dublin yesterday.

The assumption, he said, that plays should be written for an audience entirely composed of dramatic critics was absurd. Intellectuality was the bane of the theatre and the "drama of ideas" the greatest curse which had ever descended on it. It was essential that the audience collaborated in the play. Often a remark acceptable to an individual if made outside the theatre would be denounced if made on the stage, and the outcries were falsely stimulated by paid moralists. The Abbey Theatre, in "pandering to the box office," had lost an audience which it would have been worth while to keep.

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	9.40	9.40
Sets	5.15	5.20
Lighting-up Time	5.48	5.50

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	6.20	7.33
Evening	6.39	7.54

AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Ballina	12.33	12.52
Cork	12. 8	12.36
Cobh	12. 5	12.33
Drogheda	6. 8	6.27
Dundalk	6. 5	6.24
Galway	12.02	12.46
Kilkee	11. 9	11.32
Kinsale	11.59	12.43
Limerick	1. 9	1.32
Westport	12.13	12.32

OBITUARY

SIR EDWIN LUTYENS

Sir Edwin Lutyens, O.M., the Architect President of the Royal Academy, who died in London on Saturday at the age of 74, designed the London Cenotaph and New Delhi in India.

His first house was designed when he was 19, and in after years a house could have no better recommendation than that it was a "Lutyens house." Two conspicuous memorials to his art in office-designing are the fine building of Reuter's News Agency and the Press Association in Fleet street, completed in 1939, with its small, but exquisitely proportioned entrance hall and majestic front, and the Anglo-Persian Oil Company's offices in Finsbury square. When Sir Edwin was originally asked to design the Cenotaph in Whitehall he proposed that on the top there should be a brazier always aflame. This proposal was immediately rejected by the London Fire Brigade. He carried out the design in the brief space of three weeks. Artist as well, Sir Edwin was made A.R.A. in 1913 and a full R.A. in 1920.

He designed the School of Art in Rome, the Somme Memorial at Thiepval, the Australian War Memorial in France, the George Fifth memorial at Windsor, the Catholic Cathedral at Liverpool, Hampton Court Bridge, the War Memorial at Islandbridge, Dublin, and some working-class flats at Westminster. The Queen's doll's house was another of his works.

Sir Edwin was born in London in 1869, the son of a distinguished artist, Charles Lutyens, and was educated privately. His design for a new bridge across the Thames at Charing Cross was severely criticised by fellow members of the R.I.B.A., and he resigned. He once described modern buildings as sky-blocking monsters of brutal brick and crazy cement. He married Lady Emily Lytton, daughter of the first Earl of Lytton, and had three daughters and one son. The latter following his father in becoming an architect. Sir Edwin was a freeman of the City of London and an honorary D.C.L. of Oxford. His Knighthood rewarded his work in India, and he received the O.M. last January in the New Year's honours.

The Archbishop of Liverpool (Dr. R. Downey) said that Sir Edwin was undoubtedly a genius of high order. "Since the outbreak of war and the cessation of building he had been engaged almost exclusively on the preparation of final working plans, which he was anxious to complete before his death for the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral. He had many times said to me that he wanted the Cathedral to be his enduring monument, and I hope that it will be so."

DR. G. C. ANDERSON

Dr. George Cranston Anderson, Secretary of the British Medical Association since 1932, died in a London hospital on Saturday night, aged 64. He had been suffering from heart trouble for two months.

CAPTAIN J. CASEMENT

The death took place yesterday at Magherintemple, Ballycastle, of Captain John Casement, D.S.O., D.L., retired naval officer, the eldest son of the late Mr. Roger Casement, D.L., Magherintemple. Captain Casement was born in 1880, and was educated in Coleraine Academical Institution and Littlejohn's, Greenwich. He entered the Royal Navy at 14, and was appointed commander in 1913. He retired in 1921. He married Beatrice, daughter of Mr. J. F. Hodges, of Glenravel, Co. Antrim, in 1916.

MR. J. W. McNERNEY.

Mr. Joshua William McNerney, London editor of the *Irish Independent* and its associated newspapers since 1905, died in London yesterday on his 72nd birthday. He was the doyen of Lobby journalists at the House of Commons, and completed fifty years in daily journalism in 1941.

Born in Dublin, he was educated at the Catholic University School there, and became a reporter on the Dublin *Evening Mail* in 1891. After a period on the Dublin *Daily Express* he joined the reporting staff of Independent Newspapers in 1897. Mr. McNerney had been a member of the Parliamentary Press Gallery since 1902, and a Lobby journalist since 1906. He was a Fellow of the Institute of Journalists.

In addition to his journalistic work, he found time for legal study, and was called to the Bar, Middle Temple, in 1924.

MR. F. S. HALL.

The death occurred in a Dublin nursing home on Saturday of Mr. F. S. Hall, 188 Upper Rathmines road and Fleet street, Dublin. Mr. Hall, a well-known quantity surveyor, was an Englishman, but he spent most of his life in Dublin. He was a member of the Surveyors' Institution for many years, and a member of its executive. During the past year he was Vice-Chairman of the Quantity Surveyors. A keen bowler, he was a member of the Grosvenor Club, and recently assisted in the erection of a pavilion there.

U.C.D. Notes

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

WITH the opening of the Hilary Term next week College affairs will centre around elections for positions on the Students' Representative Council. After the election of the outgoing body it was given immediate notoriety by a heated controversy on the subject of a dance or céilidhe for St. Patrick's day. The Council voted for the dance, and, whether one approves of that decision or not, it is impossible to avoid admiring the independence that it showed in resisting all attempts to bring pressure on it made by outside authorities.

Having got off then, as it were, to a flying start, the Council followed with an improved standard of efficiency and a stimulation of general interest. Mr. Richard Mulcahy, the Secretary, was an able assistant to the energetic President, Mr. Paul O'Donoghue. While it is not possible to say that the affairs of the S.R.C. even approach the interesting status they once held, undoubtedly it is recovering from its hibernation, and we understand that members have even been suspended for non-attendance at meetings.

It will be interesting to see whether the elections, which may be expected early in the term, reflect the gathering interest in the Council's affairs. An attractive thought is that since the long-standing feud between it and the "L. and H." is now, more or less, dead and since the latter has divided itself into a two-party assembly the private business of the Society may yet be lightened by the efforts of electioneering oratory.

Another event, which may be confidently expected in the near future, is a production by the Dramatic Society. The management of the Society has changed hands, apparently for the better. There is, as yet, no definite information as to what plays it intends first to produce. It would be a popular move if for its next production the Society would choose something sufficiently ordinary to appeal to the layman, who is so earnestly solicited to be of the audience. In the past the answer to such an appeal has usually been that the function of a university dramatic group is to present the recherché. This policy has resulted in the postponement of Shakespeare to Beaumont and Fletcher and the presentation of plays well beyond the scope of the Society. We cannot but feel that if the Society would derogate even temporarily from its high ideals and select suitable plays it would achieve that popularity to which it is never quite impervious.

CRUISKEEN LAWN

By Myles na gCopaleen

SOME sat her daze ago I picked up this newspaper (hopeless business trying to read it on the floor) and read ". . . genuine European. How often do we hear the concept of 'Europe' bandied about, and how rarely is it used by a writer who makes us feel that he really has Europe in his bones . . ."

This, of course, is a nasty dig at meself; thanks heavens I'm too big to pretend to notice. Go on.

"From the time when, in his early twenties, he first met Emile Verhaeren, he was constantly sensitive to 'The Heart of Europe.'"

Hmmmmm. Verhaeren. Hoho. *Verhaeren.* I have to laugh. Do you remember porridge . . . and and . . . . treacle, and . . . . Lyle's Golden Syrup out of the strong cometh forth sweetness . . . . and brown sugar . . . . and when the good Nanny is not looking . . . . an enormous pat of butter. Hah? When you were a chisler, of course. Then pains all night and roars and Oh God please don't kill me this time I'll be good I'll be good. Well, if you remember what that felt like you'll have a faint idea of the texture, colour, sensibility of this small-town bill-poster. Here's a little bit of his "work":

"Le monde entier travaille et l'Europe debout
Là-bas, sur son tas d'or millénaire qui bout,
Du fond de ses banques formidables, préside
A ces trafics captés par des cerveaux lucides,
Chiffre à chiffre, dans les mailles de leurs calculs."

An exquisite image, Mac —— eh? (Cerveaux lucides is good begob.) European my hat. All ou the strength of laborious steamship catalogues the like of Et les voici tanguer, surs leurs vaisseaux, ces hommes dont l'âme fit Paris, Londres, Berlin et Rome (if you or me wrote that, of course, it would be called pantomime jingle). And then this schedule stuff—prêtres, soldats, marins, colons, banquiers, savants . . . .

Don't be talking man. It is rather significant, I hold, that this European (? Euro-peon) was ran over be a goods loco at the heel of the hunt. Honest engine!

What then is *my* Europe? It is in the mind. Resource, cunning, inventiveness. Brightness, life. Overcoming obstacles. Take my Research Bureau. There you have men who are truly European. *They know life.* They take steps to guard against it. Not for them filthy "poetry," drivel and pretence. What profit have you in that, they say, if your skull is ripped open by a falling stove pipe? But they do not stop at this rhetorical query



Here is what they conceive to be one of the perils attending life in a decaying city like Dublin. Gutters, pipes, chimney-pots falling on the citizens from immense altitudes. Bricks, slates, window sills and iron balconies. And what is the remedy? Simple as can be:



A hat with a patent spring top that instantly wards off the missile and projects it for a distance of twenty or thirty yards.

Personally, I would not feel very European if I was afraid to go out in a storm—or is it suggested that in Europe there are no storms? Bah!

T.C.D. NOTES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Christmas in College is a rare experience. An atmosphere of complete calm descends upon the Front Square. It is true that a larger number of students than usual stayed in residence up to the last moment, but during the holidays themselves the tranquility of College was only from time to time disturbed by the steps of the half-dozen residents who, homeless wanderers on the face of the earth, had to spend their Christmas within the walls of a deserted College. Without the three main centres of College social life, the conversation rooms of the major societies, the library and the dining hall, being available for the students, College life completely fades away. For both the reading room and the G.M.B. are closed during the Christmas season, and not even Commons is served for a few days.

More and more students, however, have been returning to College during the last few days and with the re-opening of buffet and beginning of the Supplemental B.A.I. examination College life will be re-awakening, and it will present its normal aspect again, as soon as Medical Lectures have commenced on January 6th.

The Rev. Sir John Robert O'Connell, LL.D., a Trinity Graduate, whose death occurred last week, was a well-known Dublin solicitor and a keen member of the Irish Statistical Society. He took Orders late in life. While in College, he took a leading part in the Tercentenary celebrations. He was a Vice-President of the College Historical Society.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Christmas party was arranged for about 90 children from Grenville street, the area where the D.U. Social Service Society carries on its activities, by a group of students, under the chairmanship of the Rev. G. O. Simms, M.A., B.D., the Dean of Residence. Tea and cake had been provided for the children, and afterwards a small band and a conjurer entertained them. At the end of the party Father Christmas presented toys to each child. The party was financed by the collection which had been made at the Carol Service in College Chapel.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

Cardinal MacRory, preaching in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, yesterday, said that they should be thankful to Almighty God for having so far saved the country from being involved in the war. Exhorting the congregation to continue their prayers for peace, he requested them to pray especially for the Pope.

LONDON LETTER

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON.

SUNDAY NIGHT.

EGG producers in these islands need not fear that the dried eggs now being imported by the Ministry of Food will ever oust eggs produced for direct consumption. In spite of the statement that they are equal in nutrition to fresh eggs, housewives prefer the natural product, although, of course, they are delighted to have the substitute, when only one or two shell eggs a month are available on the ration to adults now, and three to four eggs a month in summer. Even bakers and confectioners, who can do some wonderful things with the dried egg, complain that the time taken to restore the dehydrated product to the required consistency is a serious drawback.

National Trust

Last Thursday's announcement that Disraeli's home at Hughenden Manor, which Parnell visited just before the crash, is to be taken over by the National Trust, recalls the fact that Buckinghamshire stands among the leaders of the counties in the variety of National Trust properties which it contains. Between Princes Risborough and Aylesbury, the Trust has Coombe Hill—750 feet—commanding fine views over the woods surrounding Chequers, the official country residence of the Prime Minister. The Hogback Wood at Beaconsfield is a typical example of "Beechy Bucks," while at Pangbourne, the meadow-land on the south side of the river, is held in order to preserve this lovely stretch of the Thames. At Stoke Poges, near Slough, the control by the Trust of land adjoining the churchyard has ensured the continuance of appropriate environs for this famous place, with its memorial to the poet, Gray. At West Wycombe, the greater part of the village, with its centuries old houses, has been preserved.

High Price for Bull

The Irish-bred Shorthorn bull, Kilkea Fury, was sold for £1,550 by the Scottish exporters, Messrs. Stewart and Jones, at last week's Buenos Aires sale of imported Shorthorn bulls. The sale produced an average of £1,200 each for 40 shorthorns, with a top figure of £5,000 for Calrossie Elevator, a 21-month-old bull, bred in Ross-shire, and imported by Shepherd and Co., one of the four leading importers in Argentina. Kilkea Fury, bred by Mr. R. K. Wright, won the supreme championship at the Dublin Show in 1942.

Coal Mining Cost

An official of the Ministry of Fuel has now replied to Earl Fitzwilliam's protest on the excessive cost of open cast coal-getting and the desecration of the countryside which it causes. At Wentworth Woodhouse, Earl Fitzwilliam's Yorkshire seat, a seam of 2,000,000 tons is being worked, which reached to within 150 yards of the mansion, the largest private house in England. It is a remarkable fact that when we have filled in the workings and replaced the top soil, said the official, agricultural land is better than before, owing to the deep digging and aeration. We have no case where a farmer has been displeased, and there is independent evidence that grass and corn land is better than before. The Ministry seek to justify the very high cost of coal-getting under this method on the ground that all coal is vitally needed at present, whatever the cost.

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY

Sir John O'Connell

Passing references to the varied distinctions and experiences of the late Rev. Sir John O'Connell appear to have missed the fact that he was once rejected as a Dail candidate for Dublin, South.

It was at one of the several elections held previous to the entry of the Fianna Fail Party into the Dail, and he had stood in the Cumann na nGaedheal, or Cosgrave, interest. Singular to observe, his election speeches, though coming from the lips of one of the most capable public lecturers and readiest impromptu speakers in Dublin, were invariably disappointing, often dismal, and seldom characteristic of party enthusiasm.

He had a somewhat sedate, or Victorian, sense of humour, but was well able to win laughs from his audiences. Yet his efforts at election platform levity were usually futile.

The Smallest Priest

The Rev. Sir John, however, was one of the most remarkable public men in the Dublin of the past half century. He was a delightfully human and matter-of-fact character, who did not take himself as seriously as, perhaps, would have been allowed.

His shortness of stature was a topic upon which he was always ready to encourage banter. In London quite recently, he remarked that his great distinction was that of being the smallest priest in Great Britain.

In Dublin many years previously the late Cathal MacGarvey had gone one better. "Sir John O'Connell," said he, "is the smallest of our big men, and maybe, the biggest of our small ones!"

Horse of a Different . . . .

My Northern Christmas (writes a colleague) provided me with many surprises. War has made the North an entirely different world from ours, and people who formerly talked in pounds to-day talk in hundreds of pounds. This has elevated the normal, established trader to something like a prince of business.

I was told some smuggling stories that dwarf the Troy horse. There was an equally wonderful horse involved in one of these incidents: he died South of the Border, was opened and filled with valuable bottles, and then—poor dumb animal!—was carted across the Border to "the hounds."

Another story concerns the wonderful dog that was trained to ferry a boat back and forward where the river formed the Border. But why have a dog? One set of smugglers, with a boat, some ropes, and a pole in the far bank were able to bring across their cargoes without being ever actually on "the Border."

Puddings

What with plenty of white flour and bread, and ample supplies of fruit, flavouring and spices, I had visions of this year's Christmas pudding being up to its pre-war standard (writes a colleague).

I must confess to disappointment, however, in any that I have seen and tasted. Most of my friends agree with me, and all are unanimous as to the source of the fault—the white flour. The brown flour, they said, gave the pudding more body, or something, and, certainly, I thought last year's much tastier than this year's.

Another sign of the improvement in our neutral lot that I noticed in the shops this year was the appearance of the ready-made Christmas pudding. Excellent though th[illegible] undoubtedly are, I for one, [illegible] not dare to suggest one [illegible] of the [illegible]ternative to the mixing [illegible] stirring and stoning th[illegible] [illegible]ousewife at least, is [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. P. [illegible] President of [illegible] McHugh, Mr. [illegible] A. Egan, [illegible], O.Carm.; [illegible] O'Dwyer

FILM NOTES

BY OUR CINEMA CORRESPONDENT.

Wintertime (Savoy) is the only fresh item on this week's film schedule. It is a bright little show with a ludicrous plot, some perfect ice skating and a generous helping of lively comedy. Sonja Henie, who, of course, does the skating, has made considerable strides as an actress, and, although it seems unlikely that she could ever hold her own in drama, she can at least register better than many other romantic comedy stars. Cesar Romero is really funny as a crooner who cannot believe that anyone could fail to find him irresistibly attractive, and Jack Oakie, who has been getting very indifferent parts of late, provides a lot of dry humour as the proprietor of the dowdy synthetic chateau in which most of the action takes place. Cornel Wilde, the young man who did so well as Ida Lupino's lover in "The Light of Heart," is seen as Miss Henie's wooer, but it seems a pity to waste an actor of his talent in this kind of picture. On the other hand, Carole Landis seems much better suited to comedy, and gets the utmost out of her cynical spinster rôle. S. Z. Sakall, who rose to fame with his baker performance in "Spring Parade," is also present, and has not developed a single new mannerism or dispensed with any of his old ones. Woody Herman and his Boys "beat out" some rhythm, and appear to enjoy doing so. The film is directed by John Brahm who has a quick eye for pleasing photographic effects.

A cheerful selection of tunes for the New Year is played by Alban Chambers at the organ.

Dramatic School (Grafton) is one of the last American films made by Luise Rainer before she retired from Hollywood. The theme is a bit artificial, and more than a bit sentimental, but there is some clever "catty" dialogue and a particularly fine piece of acting by Paulette Goddard as Rainer's spiteful rival. Henry Stephenson and Gale Sondergaard are convincing in character parts. This is definitely a woman's picture. For comic relief, Will Hay's new farce, **My Learned Friend**, is also on the programme.

The Navy Steps Out (Green) is a very wild and loosely constructed comedy, which, nevertheless, impresses by its spontaneous hilarity. George Murphy, Edmond O'Brien and Lucille Ball are the stars.

Petticoat Larceny (Corinthian) is an unambitious, but entertaining, little picture, with a good performance by Ruth Warrick, the girl who was selected by Orson Welles to play the difficult part of Citizen Kane's first wife.

Five of the "hold-overs" from last week are well worth a visit:—**Jane Eyre** (Metropole: Joan Fontaine and Orson Welles); **The Phantom of the Opera** (Capitol: Claude Rains, Susanna Foster and Nelson Eddy); **When We Are Married** (Astor: Sidney Howard); **Gentleman Jim** (Adelphi: Alexis Smith and Errol Flynn), and **Hit the Ice** (Carlton: Abbott and Costello, with Ginny Sims).

OTHER CINEMAS

Dixie (Regal Rooms), **Calaboose** (Royal), **Crash Dive** (De Luxe), **The Meanest Man in the World** (Pavilion), Thursday, **Hello, 'Frisco, Hello**; **A Date with an Angel** (Regent), Thursday, **Wake Up and Dream**; **Tarzan's New York Adventure** (Astoria), Thursday, **Tom, Dick and Harry.**

Swedish Home Guards had a test stand-to yesterday, says Swedish Radio. The order was given by the Commander-in-Chief at 7.40 a.m. and all men who could be contacted had to report at prearranged points.

LETTER TO EDITOR

RATHMINES PARISH KITCHEN

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—As a Catholic worker for over two years at the Rathmines Parish Kitchen, it was almost with a sense of personal affront that I read in the *Irish Times* of December 28th that the kitchen had been peremptorily closed, and that the services of the voluntary helpers, and of our splendid supervisor and secretary, would no longer be required.

Anyone who had seen the children at their meal—and over fifty sat down to dinner each day—would realise that the school sandwich of bread and cheese will hardly prove an adequate substitute for the almost unbelievable amount of hot stew and vegetable soup which they devoured daily. The reason for depriving them of this meal seems wrapped in mystery. I must add that we also served scores of "take-away" dinners, and had a table of adult diners.

It seems a pity that the Catholic Social Services should have decided to open a feeding centre in an area where one already existed and was running so smoothly, and where there was such a spirit of comradeship between Catholics and Protestants working together—with I may say, great enjoyment—for a good purpose, unde the auspices of the Parish Council. Surely co-operation between people of different creeds makes for true citizenship?

The peremptory closing of the kitchen suggests to me, either sectarianism—which undoubtedly needs no further encouragement—or else an unwitting overlapping of services. Surely it cannot mean that Protestants may no longer take part in social service in the city of Dublin? In other words, I ask why did not the Catholic Social Services, in taking us over, not allow the present voluntary staff a chance of volunteering for further service?—Yours, etc.,

NORA REDDIN.

Ashleaf, Templeogue,
Co. Dublin. January 2nd, 1944.

SLIGO FARMER'S BODY IN RIVER

No reason was given by Dr. John P. Moran, Coroner, when he adjourned an inquest on the remains of Michael McNally, a young, unmarried farmer, of Carrowmore, whose body was taken from the Garavogue at Sligo Docks on Friday night.

For six days Civic Guards had been dragging the river. McNally was last seen alive on Christmas Night, when he met two men and wished them a happy Christmas. He walked off into the darkness, and a short time later passers-by on the Markievicz road heard a splash and cries for assistance. Evidence of identification was given by Patrick McNally, a brother of the deceased man.

U.S. DEMAND FOR CRITIC'S NAME.

The Washington *Times-Herald* yesterday demanded the name of the "high authority" who told a Press conference that strikes in America had given Hitler the opportunity of staving off a revolt in Europe.

"Whoever issued this terrible charge cannot in justice to the American people keep his identity secret," it said.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

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BIRTHS

CONDELL—December 27, 1943, at Warble Bank, Newtownmountkennedy, to Dorothy, wife of Edward R. Condell, a son.

DOOLIN—December 26, 1943, at 15 Lower Hatch street, to Maureen, wife of William Doolin, F.R.C.S., a son. (Brian Stephen).

KIRKER—December 27, 1943, at Dundee, to Enid, wife of Dr. Gilbert Kirker, a son.

LUDLOW—December 28, 1943, at Lagos to Joyce, wife of Rev. R. Nelson Ludlow, Ilesha, Nigeria, a son.

McGRUM—December 20, 1943, at Laverna, Victoria road, Ennis, Co. Clare to Anna (née McKenzie) and Leslie F. McGrum, the gift of a son.

O'HARE—December 7, 1943, at Leinster Private Nursing Home, Dublin, to Michael and Christina O'Hare, 28 Highfield Park, Dundrum, a son.

MARRIAGE

REDDING and HUGHES—November 6, 1943, at Christ Church, Leeson Park, Dublin, by the Rev. N. Hamilton; Edward George, elder son of G. W. Redding and the late Mrs. Redding, 39 Home Farm road, Dublin, to Alice Mabel, younger daughter of the late Richard Hughes and of Mrs. Hughes, Bullring, Summerhill, Co. Meath.

DEATHS

CLARKE—January 1, 1944, at her residence, 14 Faughart terrace, Dundalk, Margaret, dearly-beloved wife of James Clarke, and sister of Rev. Bro. J. D. McKenna, Superior, Christian Brothers, Tuam; to the inexpressible grief of her sorrowing husband and family. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to St. Patrick's Cathedral this (Monday) evening at 7.15 o'clock. Funeral to St. Patrick's Cemetery to-morrow (Tuesday) at 2 p.m.

COLLINS—December 31, 1943, Norman, aged 8 years, dearly-loved only son of Herbert and Maude Collins (nee Garland). Banda, Breffni terrace, Sandycove.

Jesu, friend of little children,
He a friend to me.
Hold my hand, and keep me always
near to Thee.

CULLEN—January 1, 1944, Henry Charles Richard, of Thornhill, Black lion, youngest son of the late Henry Cullen, of Corry, Co. Leitrim. No flowers.

DIGBY—December 28, 1943, at Highwood, Colehill, Wimborne, Caroline Grace widow of Reginald Digby (Geashill, King's County, in her 92nd year.

DOYLE—January 1, 1944, at his residence, Clonroche, Co. Wexford, Patrick J. Doyle, N.T., Principal of Clonroche National School; to the inexpressible grief of his wife and family, brothers and sisters. R.I.P. Funeral from Cloughbawn Church, after Solemn Office and Requiem Mass to-day (Monday) at 11 o'clock, to Cloughbawn Cemetery.

ELLIOTT—January 2, 1944 (suddenly), at the Adelaide Hospital, Joan, second daughter of Robert George and Ellen Elliott, 42 Inchicore road. Deeply regretted. Funeral from St. Jude's Church to-morrow (Tuesday) morning at 10 o'clock to Mount Jerome.

GERNON—January 1, 1944, Sister Mary Juliana, The Sisters of Charity, Merrion, in the 46th year of her religious life. Funeral arriving Milltownrack, 11.30, to-day (Monday). R.I.P.

GRIFFIN—January 1, 1944, at his residence, 45 Ashfield road, Rhenlagh (Thomas (late Irish Lights Service), beloved husband of Elizabeth Griffin. Deeply regretted by his wife, family and grandchildren. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass, from the Church of the Holy Name, Beechwood avenue to Mount Jerome.

HALL—January 1, 1944, at a Dublin nursing home, Francis S. Hall, F.S.I., 188 Upper Rathmines road and 21 Fleet street. Funeral arrangements later.

KWIATKOWSKI—January 2, 1944, at her residence, Barrack street, Dundalk, Margaret, relict of Horace Kwiatkowski. Deeply regretted. Remains will be removed this (Monday) evening at 7 o'clock to St. Nicholas's Parish Church. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) to St. Patrick's Cemetery, at 2 p.m.

MAHER—January 1, 1944, Michael J. Maher, Rosemary street, Roscrea, eldest son of W. M. Maher, Auctioneer. Interment to-day (Monday) after Solemn Requiem Mass at St. Cronan's.

MEAGHER—January 1, 1944, at his residence, Rosemary square, Roscrea, Edward, dearly-beloved husband of Nellie Meagher, and youngest son of the late Denis and Mary Meagher. Very deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral took place to St. Cronan's, after 12 o'clock Mass, yesterday (Sunday).

McINTYRE—January 1, 1944, at her residence, Seafield, Belmullet, Co. Mayo, Mrs. Marian McIntyre, widow of Martin McIntyre, Merchant, and mother of Martin T. McIntyre, Dr. T. M. McIntyre, and Mary of Cecelia and Mary of Deeply regretted by her ly, brothers, sister and of friends. R.I.P. Solemn ass at Belmullet Church (Monday), 11 o'clock. Funeral afterwards to Carne

ber 31, 1943, at a private Edith Susanna Pile, the late William J. Pile, nd year. Funeral (private), range, to-day (Monday), 12 No flowers.

January 2, 1944, at her resi- Church View, Navan, Nano, ot the late William P. Smith, regretted by her sorrowing ren and grandchildren. R.I.P. and High Mass to-morrow sday) at St. Mary's, Navan, at o'clock (new time). Funeral mediately afterwards to New emetery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this column will be found in Page 3.

IN MEMORIAM

ASHE—In loving, grateful memory of daddy, James Ashe, who went to Rest, January 2nd, 1928.—Baby.

"The memory of the just is blessed.
Being dead yet speaketh.

ASHE—In loving memory of James Ashe, died 2nd January, 1928, at his residence, 28 Mountpleasant square.

BOLAND—In loving memory of our dear mother, Selina (Teenie) Boland, called Home 3rd January, 1939. John, 11, 16. "In God's good keeping till we meet"—Olive, Irene, Violet.

BROWN—In loving memory of Jeanie, devoted wife and mother, who passed away, January 3rd, 1943.

"Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also."
—Inserted by her loving family.

HARRISON—In memory of a loving husband and father, Walter, late of T.C.D., who died December 30th, 1942.

No better father ever lived,
Nor one so true and kind,
His equal in this weary world would
be very hard to find.
Many a lonely heartache, often a
silent tear,
But always a beautiful memory of
the one we loved so dear.
—Inserted by his loving wife, sons, daughters, daughters-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren.

MERREY—In loving memory of William Merrey, who died 3rd January, 1922; also Arthur died June, 1926.

MOUNSEY—In loving memory of our dear "Dad," called Home, January 2nd, 1937.—River Lawn.

MURRAY—In loving remembrance of Mary Murray, late 14 Reuben avenue, S.C.R., who died 3rd January, 1935. "Until He come, whose right it is."—T. Murray and family.

NEALE—Eighth Anniversary—In loving memory of James Neale, Ballintubber, who passed on January 2nd, 1936. "In the morning and in the evening we remember."

NEVILLE—In ever-loving memory of Katherine Jane Neville, who died 3rd January, 1938.—G.C.S. and B.V.N.

PALMER—In ever-loving remembrance of our darling Ethel (Rogney) whom God called Home, 3rd January, 1940.

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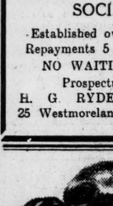
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